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THE COURT: Morning, everybody.

MR. ROGERS: Morning, Your Honor.

MR. LOPEZ: Morning.

THE COURT: All right. Plaintiffs' counsel, do you have matters you want to raise before we start this morning?

MR. O'CONNOR: I don't think we have anything, Your Honor.

THE COURT: How about defense counsel?

MR. ROGERS: Yes, Your Honor. We have a couple of matters that we want to bring up that relate to today's witnesses.

And -- Your Honor, can you hear me okay?

THE COURT: Yes.

MR. ROGERS: The first relates to Dr. Hurst, who is going to be our first witness, I understand, this morning. And, Your Honor, I did want to bring to the Court's attention that this morning at 7:30 a.m. we received seven additional exhibits for Dr. Hurst's testimony today from plaintiffs.

And I know, Your Honor, when we had our pretrial conference that we discussed trying to make best efforts to get exhibits the night before, and you said that we would have a hard stop at 1:00 a.m., and we all laughed.

1 And I want the Court to be aware of that. And one of
2 the things that is particularly problematic about the exhibits
3 we got this morning is that they are seven identified exhibits
4 but they're all CT scans, each which will be composed of
5 literally hundreds of images within each of those CT scans.

6 So apparently the plaintiffs this morning are going to
7 display to the jury select images from these CT scans, and I
8 don't have any advance notice of that. And I'm assuming I will
9 see it for the first time when the jury sees it.

10 So Dr. Hurst did disclose these images in his report.
11 He told us he reviewed them. But as far as which images we're
12 going to see today in the courtroom, I have no idea what
13 they're going to be.

14 THE COURT: So what are you requesting, Mr. Rogers?

15 MR. ROGERS: Your Honor, what I'm requesting -- I'm
16 not planning on trying to object or exclude these. I
17 understand the plaintiffs have done what they can do best, but
18 I wanted to flag it for the Court's attention. And if we
19 continue to see this, Your Honor, we will need to begin to
20 object if that's going to be a pattern.

21 THE COURT: So you're not asking me to do anything on
22 that issue?

23 MR. ROGERS: That is correct, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: Okay. Do you have other matters that you
25 want to raise?

1 MR. ROGERS: Do you have something, Jim?

2 MR. CONDO: I do. Your Honor, small matter.

3 I believe it was either Juror 3 or Juror 15, the first
4 two gentlemen in the back row. I was standing out this morning
5 at the edge trying to grab what cool air there was. As he came
6 past me, he saw our boxes, six boxes on a handcart. He smiled
7 and said, "I hope we don't have to read all of that." I smiled
8 and didn't respond. He kept walking.

9 I think it might be appropriate for Your Honor, if
10 Your Honor is inclined to do so, to just remind the jurors that
11 the lawyers and the parties are not being rude by not engaging
12 them in conversation. But it's not appropriate for us to have
13 those kinds of conversations, particularly on a subject like
14 are they going to have to read all of these, whatever's in the
15 boxes.

16 THE COURT: Any objection to that?

17 MR. LOPEZ: No, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: All right. I will remind -- well, I will
19 tell the jury of that.

20 MR. CONDO: Thank you.

21 THE COURT: Anything else we need to address?

22 MR. ROGERS: Nothing else at this time, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: We will come back in, then, when the
24 jury's seated at 9:00 o'clock. Thanks.

25 (Recess taken, 8:34 a.m. to 8:59 a.m.)

1 (Jury present.)

2 THE COURT: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen.

3 JURY MEMBERS: Morning.

4 THE COURT: Thank you for being with us this morning.

5 I want to mention one thing to you that I had thought about
6 mentioning yesterday and then I forgot.

7 Over the next several days as you're here in the
8 courthouse during trial, you may find yourself from time to
9 time in a hallway or an elevator with one of these folks. If
10 that happens, they're going to ignore you. Please don't think
11 they're being rude because they're not talking to you or they
12 look away and don't make eye contact.

13 They're doing that for the obvious reason that you're
14 a juror in the case, and they shouldn't be interacting with you
15 outside of the courtroom. So please understand they're all
16 really nice folks. They're just trying to keep that line in
17 place if they encounter you outside the courtroom.

18 All right. We are going to begin this morning with
19 plaintiffs' evidence.

20 MR. O'CONNOR: Yes, Your Honor. At this time, we
21 would call Dr. Darren Hurst.

22 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Dr. Hurst, if you'll please
23 come forward.

24 If you'll please stand right here, sir, and raise your
25 right hand.

1 DARREN R. HURST, M.D.,
2 called as a witness herein by the plaintiffs, having been first
3 duly sworn or affirmed, was examined and testified as follows:

4 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Could you please state and
5 spell your name for the record.

6 THE WITNESS: Darren Robert Hurst. D-A-R-R-E-N,
7 R-O-B-E-R-T, H-U-R-S-T.

8 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Thank you, sir. Please come
9 and have a seat.

10 DIRECT EXAMINATION

11 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

12 Q. Are you organized?

13 A. I am.

14 Q. All right. Good morning. Would you introduce yourself to
15 the jury, please.

16 A. Hi. My name is Darren Hurst. I'm a physician in
17 Cincinnati, Ohio/northern Kentucky area. I'm an interventional
18 radiologist.

19 Q. Why don't you, if you would, Dr. Hurst, explain to the
20 jury -- we'll go into more of your qualifications, but if you
21 could explain to the jury what is an interventional
22 radiologist, please.

23 A. So I'm a vascular interventional radiologist. I'm a
24 physician, and I take care of patients who have a myriad of
25 issues but mostly vascular problems. We use minimally invasive

1 procedures that are image guided to perform procedures to help
2 treat vascular disease.

3 Q. And would you explain to everyone here today what you were
4 asked to do in this case, what your role is here.

5 A. So I was asked to review the medical records and images for
6 Lisa Hyde and evaluate Ms. Hyde's Bard filter and determine if
7 the filter failed and its modes of failure.

8 I was also asked to determine whether there was an
9 alternative device that could have been used at the time and to
10 determine whether physicians had adequate information from Bard
11 at that time to make a reliable decision on whether or not to
12 use their device.

13 Q. And could you tell us what you found?

14 A. So what I found was that the Bard filter in -- the G2
15 filter in Mrs. Hyde --

16 Q. G2X?

17 A. G2X, sorry -- failed. And what it did was it penetrated
18 her inferior vena cava, and then an arm from the filter
19 fractured off the device and migrated through her vascular
20 system, through the right atrium of her heart to the right
21 ventricle of her heart.

22 This necessitated both removal of the filter and the
23 fragment of the device using a complex endovascular procedure.

24 Q. And we're going to talk more about your opinions in a bit.

25 And before we talk about your qualifications, could

1 you just explain to the members of the jury what your work
2 entailed exactly? What did you review and what did you look
3 at?

4 A. So for Mrs. Hyde, I reviewed her medical records and her
5 images. I reviewed the Bard internal corporate documents that
6 are related to this case. I reviewed the medical literature
7 having to do with IVC filters, both permanent and retrievable
8 devices. And I reviewed the depositions in this case and the
9 medical expert reports.

10 Q. And you also brought with you -- you reviewed imaging
11 studies?

12 A. Yes, imaging, yeah.

13 Q. And you have some here to talk to the jury about today?

14 A. I do.

15 Q. And it looks as though you have a collection of something.
16 It looks like fishing lures. What are those?

17 A. These are IVC filters. And these devices -- actually, this
18 is the Recovery device and the Simon Nitinol device. These are
19 two Bard filters. This is a Cook Gunther Tulip filter, a
20 Boston Scientific Greenfield filter here, and then a VenaTech
21 filter right here.

22 Q. All right. And we'll talk more in detail about the Bard
23 filters that you brought with, and we have an ELMO there.

24 Would you explain to the jury your education and your
25 training, please.

1 A. So I went to the University of Cincinnati for medical
2 school from '91 to '95. From '95 to '99, I went to the
3 University of Michigan for radiology residency, and then went
4 on to do a fellowship in vascular and interventional radiology
5 from 2000 to 2001.

6 Q. And currently --

7 A. I'm sorry, '99 to 2000. Sorry.

8 Q. So you graduated from medical school when?

9 A. I'm sorry?

10 Q. When did you graduate from medical school?

11 A. 1995.

12 Q. And then did you go on and become board certified?

13 A. You become board certified following your radiology
14 residency. Yes, I became board certified.

15 Q. And would you explain to the jury briefly what that means.

16 A. So board certification means that I've completed the
17 requisite training and testing for radiology and also for
18 interventional radiology that's required by the American Board
19 of Radiology, and then you become certified by the American
20 Board of Radiology.

21 Q. Where do you work currently?

22 A. I work at St. Elizabeth Health System. We have three large
23 hospitals that are in the Cincinnati area, in northern
24 Kentucky, actually, across the river. We're a tertiary care
25 medical center providing care for hundreds of thousands of

1 patients a year.

2 Q. And are you a director? Do you hold those type of
3 positions?

4 A. Yeah. I'm -- I have been the director of vascular and
5 interventional radiology since 2003. I'm also the chairman of
6 the product committee where we review products like this for
7 the cath labs. We review over a hundred products a year and go
8 through a very specific process that's very similar to the
9 review that we did in this case.

10 Q. You talked to us before about what interventional
11 radiologists do, and I think you talked about minimally
12 invasive procedures. Is that -- what do you do in regard to --
13 or tell us your experience with IVC filters, if you would.

14 A. So IVC filters have been around for quite a long time, well
15 before I even started residency, so I began placing multiple
16 different types of IVC filters in residency and fellowship.
17 And then in my own practice, I've placed multiple different
18 types of filters. I've probably placed over a thousand filters
19 in my career.

20 And also, we retrieve the retrievable filters, the
21 temporary filters, and we do complex retrievals at our
22 institution as well.

23 Q. And if you could, explain to the members of the jury what
24 purpose or what are filters for, IVC filters.

25 A. So an inferior vena cava filter is a device that is used in

1 patients who have deep vein thrombosis. So deep vein
2 thrombosis is when you get clot in your leg. And sometimes
3 that clot stays in your leg and it causes issues down there,
4 but other times it can migrate through the vascular system,
5 through the main vein of the body called the inferior vena
6 cava, which is right in the center of your body, through that
7 vein to the heart and then to the lungs.

8 When it gets to the lungs, that clot can cause
9 significant issues, even cause death from cardiac problems.

10 Most of the time, patients who have clot in their legs
11 and who are at risk for clot traveling to their lungs, which is
12 called pulmonary embolism, most of the time those patients are
13 treated with medication. It's called anticoagulation. There's
14 several different kinds of ways to treat the patients, but the
15 goal is basically to thin the blood so that that clot doesn't
16 propagate and then travel to the lungs.

17 Some patients, however, can't receive the
18 blood-thinning medication, for multiple different issues. They
19 could be that they are at high risk for bleeding already, or if
20 they do have bleeding, they could have significant
21 complications. And some patients are just unreliable. They
22 can't take the medication.

23 For those patients, the alternative therapy is to
24 place a device within -- this is my model of the inferior vena
25 cava, which would be right in the center of your body here, a

1 device within the inferior vena cava that blocks the clots from
2 getting to the lungs. So the device sits in the inferior vena
3 cava, and as the clot travels up through the inferior vena
4 cava, it gets caught in the device before it gets to the lungs
5 to cause problems.

6 Q. Dr. Hurst, I think there's an ELMO there. Maybe if you
7 could switch that on, and it might show --

8 A. Yeah.

9 MR. O'CONNOR: Your Honor, can he display that on the
10 ELMO, please?

11 THE COURT: Yes.

12 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: I'm not getting a signal.

13 THE WITNESS: Do I need to --

14 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Hold on. You have to hold it
15 down.

16 I've displayed it to the right area. The actual
17 camera is not working. I know we had to -- the little button
18 is red.

19 MS. WORTMAN: That means it's off.

20 THE WITNESS: That means it's off?

21 MS. WORTMAN: Yeah, we're trying to be efficient and
22 leave it on.

23 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Let's give it a second to see
24 if it will pop up.

25 THE WITNESS: There we go. Says it's hooked up to

1 HDMI.

2 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Hang on.

3 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

4 Q. Well, we can come back to that.

5 A. Yeah.

6 Q. If you could --

7 A. So the device -- the device traps the clot as it comes up
8 the inferior vena cava. That's basically it. It's like a --
9 it's a filter.

10 Q. So for clarification, Dr. Hurst, you just showed us that
11 tube, and as -- that is a simulation of the vena cava; correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And you showed us on your body where the vena cava is, but
14 could you explain to the members of the jury what the vena cava
15 is, the inferior vena cava, and why does a filter go there?

16 A. So the inferior vena cava is the -- basically the largest
17 vein of your body that the two large veins of your legs flow
18 into and connect to. And then it -- it's in the very center of
19 your abdomen, going from about the level of your belly button
20 all the way up to the heart. It's about, you know,
21 2.4 centimeters in diameter, so it's nearly the same diameter
22 as this tube.

23 Q. All right. And how many IVC filters have you implanted in
24 your career?

25 A. I would say probably near a thousand. I mean, a lot.

1 Q. In your practice, do the physicians in your practice that
2 you work with, do you retrieve filters?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And approximately how many?

5 A. We probably retrieve about 20 a year. So I would say in
6 our practice, it's, you know, near 60 or 70 filters that we've
7 retrieved in the last three or four years.

8 Q. Have you implanted Bard IVC filters?

9 A. Yes. We've used the Simon Nitinol filter, the G2 filter,
10 the G2X filter, and I believe the Eclipse filter.

11 Q. And are you still using Bard filters?

12 A. We use the Denali filter now, yes.

13 Q. Any others?

14 A. The rest of those filters are not available now. They're
15 off the market.

16 Q. Do you know why they're off the market?

17 A. I believe because of safety issues.

18 Q. Thank you.

19 Now, you're here as an expert; correct?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And you spent time reviewing information in this case,
22 including Mrs. Hyde's records, imaging studies, and also Bard
23 internal documents. Did you also conduct and look at the
24 medical literature?

25 A. I did. I did an extensive review of the medical literature

1 for this case and other cases, including a review of the power
2 of the studies, the number of patients, the applicability of
3 the studies to each case.

4 Q. Now, in your work as an expert, are you compensated for
5 your time?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And how are you compensated?

8 A. I bill on an hourly rate, \$500 an hour.

9 Q. And how many hours have you spent in this case?

10 A. I'd say roughly 25.

11 Q. How often do you agree to be an expert in matters that come
12 to court?

13 A. It takes up about 10 percent of my work time as an
14 interventional radiologist.

15 Q. And just so we're clear, are you being paid to come here
16 today?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Why do you do expert work?

19 A. I do it for multiple reasons. I find it very interesting.
20 I think it's helpful for both me and my patients because I
21 learn new things all the time. It's -- it helps you delve
22 deeply into issues, medical issues and interventional radiology
23 issues.

24 I also do it because I believe that community
25 physicians should be involved in these types of cases to give a

1 perspective of a nonacademic physician. So, you know, I do it
2 for multiple reasons.

3 Q. All right. Now, as it relates to what you've done in this
4 case, you've told us that you've reviewed medical records and
5 imaging studies and you also looked at Bard's internal
6 documents; is that correct?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And you said you reviewed other experts' reports. Did you
9 review information from Bard that's typically not shared with
10 physicians in the field?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And also, did you look at instructions for use for the
13 filters?

14 A. I did.

15 Q. Thank you.

16 And tell us what you did by way of looking at the
17 medical literature, why you did it.

18 A. Why I did it?

19 Q. Yes, sir.

20 A. Well, the medical --

21 MR. ROGERS: Objection, Your Honor. Nondisclosure.

22 THE COURT: Well, this is literature he reviewed; is
23 that right?

24 MR. ROGERS: Yes, Your Honor. There's no discussion
25 of medical literature in his report.

1 THE COURT: Is that right?

2 MR. O'CONNOR: Well, he says he reviewed medical
3 literature, and he listed the ones that he reviewed. That's
4 all I'm asking about.

5 THE COURT: Okay. So he said that. You're asking him
6 now to give further opinion based on it?

7 MR. O'CONNOR: I'm not asking him to give opinion.
8 I'm asking him why he did it for his work in this case.

9 THE COURT: All right. I think that's foundational.
10 Objection's overruled.

11 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

12 Q. Can you explain why?

13 A. Sure.

14 Are we okay? Yeah.

15 So I reviewed the medical literature because that
16 basically gives you an idea of what's going on out in the
17 community and with patients and with the device. The medical
18 literature is peer reviewed, so people submit studies to the
19 journals, and the studies are evaluated for their veracity or
20 the truth. So it's a good way to glean information about a
21 particular device or procedure that you're doing.

22 Q. All right. Talk to us a moment about informed consent.
23 What is the process?

24 A. So informed consent is when a physician discusses the
25 risks, alternatives, and benefits of a particular line of

1 treatment, therapy, or procedure. When we do this, what we do
2 is we weigh the patient's clinical situation, the procedure or
3 treatment that they may need, and then the potential risks and
4 complications of that procedure or device.

5 And then in weighing that, we determine whether the
6 patient will receive a benefit or whether the patient shouldn't
7 have any procedure at all or should have some sort of
8 alternative procedure.

9 Q. And what do you expect as a physician from a medical device
10 company like Bard to assist you in the informed consent
11 process?

12 A. So when you're doing the informed consent process, you need
13 to have a clear understanding of how a -- for devices,
14 especially, how the device is going to behave and what the
15 risks of using that device are.

16 If you do not have, you know, clear, accurate, and
17 timely information about the device, then your ability to
18 perform informed consent is kind of inhibited because you just
19 don't have enough information to do the risk-benefit analysis.

20 Q. All right. Now, tell us, if you would, Dr. Hurst -- and I
21 think you have imaging. And at this point, I'd like you to
22 explain to the members of the jury what happened to Lisa Hyde's
23 filter.

24 A. So Lisa Hyde's filter, after it was placed, the arms and
25 some of the legs of the filter, that's this part of the filter,

1 penetrated through the inferior vena cava, which is obviously
2 the vessel that it was in.

3 And in penetrating through the inferior vena cava, one
4 of the arms became -- started to interact with the vertebral
5 body, which is the bone that's right behind the inferior vena
6 cava. And then the arm fractured off of the filter and
7 migrated through the inferior vena cava, through the heart, and
8 into the right ventricle of the heart.

9 Q. And from what you've -- the work you've done in this case,
10 can you explain to the jury what stability means in terms of a
11 filter?

12 A. So a brief history of filters, for a very long time IVC
13 filters were permanent devices, which means that when you were
14 making a decision to place the device in a patient, you were
15 making a decision to place that device in the patient for the
16 rest of their life.

17 And the permanent device, the permanent devices -- I'm
18 sorry, I lost my train of thought. Would you give me your
19 question again?

20 Q. Sure. What I'm asking you is why is stability --

21 A. Stability, right.

22 Q. -- is that an important feature of a filter?

23 A. So because the device was going to be in the patient for a
24 long period of time, you require stability. You know, it could
25 be in the patient for up to 15, 20, 30 years depending on the

1 age of the patient when you place the device and their other
2 medical issues.

3 When these devices were released, the new devices,
4 they were purported to be what we call retrievable and
5 permanent devices. So they had a new indication. You were
6 able to actually place the device, but then you could remove it
7 after the contraindication to anticoagulation had passed.

8 In other words, the patient could receive oral
9 medication to protect them from PE, or maybe their risk for
10 pulmonary embolism had passed. So you could remove the device
11 and get it out of the patient.

12 But they also were supposed to be devices that could
13 be left in permanently. And, again, if a device is left
14 permanently in the patient, it has to be stable. It can't
15 move. It can't migrate. It can't fracture.

16 Q. All right. And in your opinion, did Lisa Hyde's filter
17 meet the expectation of being stable?

18 A. No, it did not.

19 Q. Do you want to talk about imaging right now to show the
20 jury what happened to this filter? And then we'll talk about
21 some of your other opinions.

22 MR. O'CONNOR: If we could, could we go to
23 Exhibit 4921?

24 THE COURT: What was that number?

25 MR. O'CONNOR: 4921, Your Honor.

1 THE COURT: All right.

2 THE WITNESS: Can I pull up my report here?

3 MR. O'CONNOR: And, Your Honor, I believe that we have
4 an agreement, a stipulation that this may come into evidence.

5 THE COURT: Are you moving it into evidence?

6 MR. O'CONNOR: Yes, Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: Any objection?

8 MR. ROGERS: No, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: Admitted.

10 (Exhibit No. 4921 admitted into evidence.)

11 MR. O'CONNOR: All right. May we display to the jury,
12 Your Honor?

13 THE COURT: Yes.

14 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

15 Q. So, Dr. Hurst --

16 THE COURT: Excuse me just a minute.

17 Does everybody have it on your screens?

18 Okay. Thank you. Go ahead.

19 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

20 Q. Would you explain to us what we're looking at?

21 A. Sure. So this is an axial section, which means it's a
22 cross-section --

23 THE COURT: Sorry, Doctor. Keep talking into the mic,
24 if you would.

25 THE WITNESS: So this is an axial section or a

1 cross-sectional image of the abdomen of Mrs. Hyde on June 14,
2 2013. In the center of the picture, you will see the inferior
3 vena cava; and within the inferior vena cava, you see those
4 brighter dots. That is actually a cross-section of the arms
5 and legs of the filter itself.

6 And you can see that this arm right here where I'm
7 drawing the arrow, very poorly, is up against or adjacent to
8 and interacting with the L3 vertebral body, the bone.

9 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

10 Q. And let me just stop you there so we can make sure we're
11 clear what you've just done.

12 What you've done for us here in the courtroom is you
13 have actually circled the filter from the perspective of this
14 imaging; is that correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And you have an arrow pointing to what, Doctor?

17 A. That's the 6:00 o'clock arm of the filter.

18 Q. And when you talk about this being a sagittal view, what
19 does that mean? Can you orient us?

20 A. This is actually axial. This is the axial view.

21 Q. Axial view. Would you orient us to that, please?

22 A. So it is a cross-sectional, like kind of a bread slice
23 between -- of your body. A picture. Just one slice through.

24 Q. All right. And if you would, then, you were telling us
25 about the surrounding anatomy to orient us. Please continue.

1 A. Yeah. So the white structure behind the inferior vena cava
2 here, this structure right here is the L3 vertebral body.

3 And then this structure over here is the large artery
4 of the body called the aorta.

5 Q. All right. And what is the date of this imaging?

6 A. 6/14/13.

7 Q. And should we go to the next imaging to show a different
8 view?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Let's look at Exhibit 4873.

11 Oh, excuse me. That is 4873.

12 A. Yeah, we have it. How do I erase the markings?

13 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: I'll do it.

14 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

15 MR. O'CONNOR: Oh, I see. You've got to erase that.

16 THE WITNESS: Thanks.

17 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

18 Q. What are we looking at here, Dr. Hurst?

19 A. So this is a --

20 THE COURT: You want this displayed?

21 MR. O'CONNOR: Oh, you know what, excuse me, Your
22 Honor. I apologize. Again, all the imagings that I'm going to
23 be showing here have been stipulated.

24 THE COURT: You need to move every one into evidence.

25 MR. O'CONNOR: All right. And at this time I would

1 move Exhibit 4873 into evidence.

2 THE COURT: Any objection?

3 MR. ROGERS: No, Your Honor.

4 (Exhibit No. 4873 admitted into evidence.)

5 MR. O'CONNOR: And I request that we display this one
6 to the jury, Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: You may.

8 MR. O'CONNOR: Thank you.

9 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

10 Q. Go ahead, Dr. Hurst.

11 A. So this is a three-dimensional reconstruction of the CT
12 scan that you saw before. It means we took the images and
13 stacked them on top of each other, and now we're looking at
14 it -- actually, the equivalent of looking at it from the side.
15 It's called a sagittal reconstruction.

16 So we're looking at the filter from the side here, and
17 you can see this is the device right there in the center of the
18 image. And at the back of the image there, you will see the
19 posterior portion of the filter. There is the leg right up
20 against that vertebral body and interacting with it, and
21 actually, almost bent forward in the patient's body by that
22 bone right there.

23 Q. And what do you call that bone?

24 A. That's the L3 vertebral body.

25 Q. All right. And L3 means lumbar?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And so as you look at the spine, could you just orient us
3 where the lumbar is in relation to the rest of the spine?

4 A. So the lumbar spine is the lower portion of your spine that
5 goes basically from the middle of your back down to the top of
6 your belt line.

7 Q. And you number each vertebrae as they go down?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. All right. Thank you.

10 And is this exhibit showing -- this imaging study
11 showing interaction between the filter struts and any part of
12 the anatomy?

13 A. Yes. The -- specifically, the arm and the L3 vertebral
14 body.

15 Q. All right. Thank you.

16 MR. O'CONNOR: And then, Your Honor, the next one I'd
17 like to move into evidence is Exhibit 4922.

18 THE COURT: Any objection?

19 MR. ROGERS: No, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: Admitted.

21 (Exhibit No. 4922 admitted into evidence.)

22 MR. O'CONNOR: May we display?

23 THE COURT: You may.

24 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

25 Q. And, Dr. Hurst, if you could just orient us and tell us

1 what we are looking at here and what is the significance of
2 this imaging study.

3 A. So, again, we're -- we have an axial slice of a CT scan of
4 the abdomen. This, again, shows the filter within the inferior
5 vena cava. I'm going to circle the inferior vena cava here.

6 And you will see that the arm that was interacting
7 with the vertebral body that used to be right here is now gone.
8 So the filter is now missing an arm. There should be six arms
9 and six legs. If you count -- the arms are on the outer
10 portion of the filter on this image. If you count the legs,
11 there's five -- I'm sorry, if you count the arms, there's five
12 arms, and obviously one is missing, the one that was
13 interacting with the L3 vertebral body.

14 Q. All right. And as you explained, what happened to that
15 strut? That was an arm of the filter?

16 A. Yes. That arm embolized or migrated through the inferior
17 vena cava, through the right atrium of the heart, to the right
18 ventricle of the heart.

19 Q. And I don't think the ELMO's working yet, but could you
20 explain from the G2X filter the difference between the arms and
21 the legs on that filter?

22 A. So the arms of the filter form sort of an upper tier of the
23 device, sort of an umbrella above an umbrella. The legs then
24 have a lower tier -- the legs are then the lower tier of the
25 umbrella.

1 The legs have small hooks that -- the legs have small
2 hooks on them. We can pass it around. Have small hooks on
3 them that engage the inferior vena cava, whereas the arms do
4 not have any hooks. They are only connected to the cone or the
5 top of the filter.

6 MR. O'CONNOR: Your Honor, may we show the jury the
7 filter?

8 THE COURT: Yes.

9 MR. O'CONNOR: And have them pass it around?

10 THE COURT: Yes, you may.

11 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

12 Q. As we let the jury inspect, are there any specific
13 instructions you have for them?

14 A. Just that the -- there's a difference between the arms and
15 the legs. The leg has a little hook on it on the bottom of the
16 leg, whereas the arm has no secondary attachment point. Its
17 only attachment point is to the cone or the filter, which is
18 important in the design of this product and it's an important
19 reason why it has the failures that it does.

20 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Okay. It's working.

21 THE WITNESS: Just in time.

22 Do you have the Eclipse one? I could show that one
23 while they're looking at the other one.

24 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

25 Q. All right. Go ahead and show them the --

1 A. I don't have the Eclipse. Do you have it?

2 Q. All right. That's okay. We'll let the members review
3 this, and then we'll go back.

4 A. So as you're looking at that filter, there's a couple other
5 interesting characteristics of that device in comparison to the
6 permanent device from which it came.

7 The wires on that device are actually a little bit
8 smaller and a little more fragile. The hooks on the device are
9 a little smaller and are designed to release from the inferior
10 vena cava when the device is retrieved instead of tearing the
11 inferior vena cava wall.

12 The hooks are also ground down to be more tapered than
13 the hooks on this device as well. And that's also to encourage
14 release from the inferior vena cava.

15 In my opinion, that -- all those things contribute to
16 the instability of the device.

17 In addition, this device is unique in that -- in that
18 the arms, like I said, have one attachment point to the cone
19 right here. There is no other attachment point, and they don't
20 attach to the wall of the inferior vena cava. That means if
21 they fracture and release from the cone of the filter, they're
22 not attached to anything so that they can embolize or migrate
23 through the inferior vena cava.

24 This is the Simon Nitinol filter, which was the device
25 from which these devices, these retrievable devices were

1 designed. You can see the cone of this filter is totally
2 different. Instead of having arms, it has what we call a
3 flower. And this wire that makes up the flower is actually
4 continuous. It has two attachment points, you know, so if this
5 device fractures right here, it still has an attachment point
6 here and attachment point here so that this portion of the
7 device cannot embolize or migrate through the -- or get free
8 from the device, basically. It's basically stuck to the
9 device.

10 Q. All right. Dr. Hurst, I just want to go back and get a few
11 more imaging studies in quickly, and then I would like to talk
12 about the imaging that shows the ventricle -- the strut that
13 went to the ventricle. Okay?

14 A. Yes.

15 MR. O'CONNOR: So quickly, if we could display 4922,
16 Your Honor, and I would offer this imaging study into evidence
17 at this time.

18 THE COURT: You just covered 4922.

19 MR. O'CONNOR: Okay. 4923, excuse me.

20 THE COURT: Any objection?

21 MR. ROGERS: No, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Admitted.

23 (Exhibit No. 4923 admitted into evidence.)

24 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

25 Q. And, Dr. Hurst, could you explain to the members of the

1 jury what we are looking at in this imaging study?

2 A. Yes. So this is a CT scan --

3 THE COURT: Mr. O'Connor, do you want this displayed?

4 MR. O'CONNOR: Yes. Thank you, Your Honor. May we
5 display?

6 THE COURT: Be sure to ask that each time.

7 MR. O'CONNOR: I will. Thank you. I see it, but I
8 have to remember to have it displayed to everybody.

9 May we display this now, Your Honor?

10 THE COURT: Yes.

11 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

12 Q. Go ahead, Dr. Hurst.

13 A. Okay. Again, we have an axial view of a CT of the abdomen
14 on Ms. Hyde. This is from May 16, 2014.

15 What this demonstrates is that the legs also can
16 penetrate the inferior vena cava and interact with adjacent
17 organs or structures. This particular leg, the 3:00 o'clock
18 leg, is actually interacting with the wall of the main artery
19 of the body, the aorta, which is a high-pressure vessel that
20 carries a lot of blood.

21 There are also interactions with the L4 vertebral body
22 with this 6:00 o'clock leg. And then there -- the other legs
23 are also penetrated -- have penetrated the inferior vena cava
24 and are in the fat adjacent to the inferior vena cava.

25 Q. All right. Thank you.

1 And we're going to come back to some of those findings
2 in a moment.

3 MR. O'CONNOR: If we could look at 4925, and I would
4 offer this into -- excuse me, not 4925. 4924. And I would
5 offer this imaging study into evidence, Your Honor.

6 MR. ROGERS: No objection.

7 THE COURT: Admitted.

8 (Exhibit No. 4924 admitted into evidence.)

9 MR. O'CONNOR: May we display to the jury?

10 THE COURT: Yes.

11 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

12 Q. What are we looking at here on 4924, Dr. Hurst?

13 A. Sure. This is the coronal view of the CT scan that was
14 performed of her abdomen but included a portion of her chest
15 from 5/16/14. So coronal, a coronal view is basically slicing
16 through the body this way, so you're looking at the body from
17 basically as if you were looking at it front on.

18 So this structure right here is the heart.
19 Specifically, this would be called the right ventricle of the
20 heart, which is the portion of the heart that pumps blood from
21 the venous system into the lungs through the pulmonary arteries
22 so that it can get oxygenated.

23 Q. Dr. Hurst, now, is this the piece that you indicated on the
24 earlier CT scan was missing?

25 A. So, yes, this is the 6:00 o'clock arm right here.

1 Q. Let me ask you this while we're talking about this. What
2 is the risk when a filter moves after implant?

3 A. What is the risk if a filter moves after implant?

4 Q. Yeah. What risk does that create to a patient?

5 A. It depends on how far it moves. So the IVC filters, when
6 they're deployed, you would hope that they would stay in the
7 position that you deployed them in. You want them to be
8 stable.

9 If the device does not stay in the same position,
10 several things can happen. Number one, the device can
11 migrate -- the whole device can migrate or release from the
12 cava and migrate up all the way to the heart, and that can be a
13 catastrophic event. The patient oftentimes -- well, requires
14 open heart surgery and removal of the device, and they can die
15 from a migration, a total migration of the device to the heart.

16 The device can also migrate towards the feet, and when
17 it migrates towards the feet, what happens is the device
18 starts -- this device, the G2, when it migrates towards the
19 feet, the device starts to sort of flower out or the legs start
20 to splay out.

21 That is not a significant feature in this particular
22 case, but when those legs start to splay out, that can increase
23 the risk of penetration of the inferior vena cava and then also
24 can increase the risk of fracture, because as those legs splay
25 out, they're reaching further out into the body and can

1 interact with organs such as vertebral bodies and the aorta and
2 even the bowel and muscles.

3 So when a filter moves in the body, several different
4 things can happen. In addition, there's one other type of
5 movement that can occur. The filter can tilt. So ideally the
6 filter stays centered within the inferior vena cava. It's
7 designed to sit like that. If the device becomes significantly
8 tilted like that, that can put additional stress on the legs
9 and also opens the filter up to allow blood clot to pass
10 through it, so it effectively is not doing what it's supposed
11 to do. It's not going to block clot from going to the lungs.

12 Q. What were the failure modes that you determined were
13 specific to Lisa Hyde's G2X filter?

14 A. So Lisa Hyde's G2X filter had a minimal amount of tilt
15 anteriorly, and then also, she had predominantly penetration of
16 her arms and legs of the filter and then interaction with
17 adjacent structures. And then finally, the most significant
18 failure was that the arm fractured off the filter and then
19 migrated to her heart, requiring a complex procedure to remove.

20 Q. And you talked about the ventricle, the structure that went
21 to the ventricle of the heart.

22 A. Yes. That's what we have --

23 Q. Explain to us --

24 A. -- in the picture.

25 Q. Pardon me?

1 A. That's our picture right here, yes.

2 Q. And what risk, what problems are associated when a strut
3 goes to the ventricle of the heart?

4 A. So when an arm or a leg from a filter migrates to the
5 heart, several things can happen. The worst possible thing
6 that can happen is that the arm or leg can penetrate the wall
7 or perforate the wall of the right ventricle of the heart and
8 cause bleeding from the heart into the sac that surrounds the
9 heart. And then that can actually compress the heart so the
10 heart won't beat anymore, and it can cause sudden death.
11 That's called cardiac tamponade.

12 The device can also migrate through the heart wall
13 into the pericardial sac and then out -- basically out of the
14 heart and into the chest wall. All of those things can cause
15 chronic pain, arm pain, chest pain, neck pain, similar to what
16 people would have with, you know, a heart attack or whatnot.

17 In addition, the arm can penetrate the muscles of the
18 heart and interfere with conduction. So the heart muscle
19 carries the conductive nerves for the heart, and if the arm
20 penetrates through the muscle in the right location, it can
21 cause arrhythmias, which are abnormal heart rates -- I'm sorry,
22 abnormal heart rhythms, which could also be life threatening.

23 Q. You talked about Lisa Hyde's IVC filter and that it had
24 penetrated through the vena cava at other locations. Do you
25 recall that testimony?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. For example, you told us that it was interacting with the
3 vertebrae, and I thought you said it was also interacting with
4 the aorta.

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And what is the aorta?

7 A. The aorta is the largest blood vessel, arterial blood
8 vessel of the body. It carries basically all the blood from
9 the heart to the vital organs of the abdomen and the legs.

10 Q. And what problems are associated or what risks exist when a
11 filter will penetrate and interact with those types of organs?

12 A. So the inferior vena cava is located right in the center of
13 the abdomen, so it's kind of like ground zero. There's a lot
14 of different things surrounding it.

15 So when the filter legs or arms interact with the
16 bowel, that can cause abdominal pain or kind of GI distress.
17 It can also cause -- it can also interact with the muscles of
18 the back that are very close to the lumbar spine and cause pain
19 that radiates down the leg or pain that is sharp when the
20 patient moves in specific ways.

21 I've seen these fragments interact or legs interact
22 with the urinary tract, with the ureters. Those are the --
23 basically the structures that carry urine from the kidneys to
24 the bladder. When they interact with the vertebral bodies,
25 they can cause back pain. And when they interact with the

1 aorta, very rarely they can cause the aorta to develop what's
2 called a pseudoaneurysm, which is basically when the strut
3 punctures the aorta and a small hole happens in the aorta that
4 can chronically seal off, but occasionally that can rupture and
5 patients can --

6 Q. Based --

7 A. -- bleed to death.

8 Q. Go ahead. I'm sorry.

9 A. That's okay.

10 Q. Based upon your conclusions about the failure modes that
11 were experienced by Lisa Hyde's G2X filter, do you have an
12 opinion whether the G2X filter in Lisa Hyde met the reasonable
13 expectations of physicians like you?

14 A. No. It did not.

15 Q. Okay. Can you explain why?

16 A. Because the filter was unstable. It became unstable and
17 fractured, and the fragment from the fracture went to her
18 heart, requiring an additional procedure to remove.

19 The filter penetrated the inferior vena cava and began
20 acting -- interacting with adjacent organs, and I believe that
21 those sort of interactions are progressive, so this device had
22 to come out.

23 Q. Now, you talked about the fact that this filter penetrated
24 and that led to the fracture of the arm that went and migrated
25 to the ventricle; is that correct?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And I think you said that there was tilt, slight, and that
3 the filter moved down?

4 A. There is very slight tilt and probably about 5 millimeters
5 of caudal migration, which is migration towards the feet, but
6 that is not the predominant issue.

7 Q. But regardless, is tilt and caudal migration, are those
8 also attributes of instability?

9 A. Those are characteristics of the -- this family of filters,
10 the Bard filters, the caudal migration and tilt, yes.

11 Q. And are those modes of failure, the migration, the
12 penetration, and the fracture and the migration and the
13 tilting, are those modes that are inconsistent with the
14 expectation of stability in a filter?

15 A. So, yes. When we look at the family, the G2X, the G2, and
16 the Eclipse, those devices were unique in that they had
17 basically all of the types of failure that a filter can have,
18 together.

19 You know, individual devices like the ones that I have
20 brought today, like the Greenfield filter, which is this device
21 here, it's a fairly old device. It suffered from some
22 complications or issues, predominantly tilt, but did not have
23 the fracture issues and the same penetration issues.

24 So when we look at the G2X, it had all of the issues
25 that you could possibly have, and it had them at either the

1 same rate or greater rates than the prior permanent devices.

2 MR. ROGERS: Objection, Your Honor. I think we've
3 entered an area that's addressed by your Daubert order.

4 THE COURT: Sustained.

5 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

6 Q. Okay. Let's move on to a different area, Doctor.

7 As an interventional radiologist and a physician that
8 works with filters, what -- would you expect a manufacturer
9 like Bard to disclose what it knows about risks and dangers of
10 its filters, the Bard family of filters?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And what type of information would you expect Bard to
13 provide doctors for purposes of performing informed consent and
14 ongoing care of their patients?

15 A. So when we deal with medical device companies, we expect
16 them to do their due diligence up front when they're designing
17 a device to make it reasonably safe and to determine whether
18 the device is safe before they release it for use.

19 In addition, we expect the device companies to have a
20 program of surveillance, where they are kind of basically
21 watching their device as it's being used in patients and to
22 alert us if they come upon unexpected issues or problems that
23 could be dangerous to the patient.

24 Q. All right. Now, in the course of your work in this case,
25 you reviewed Bard documents?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Did you come across information that you learned in this
3 case that you would have reasonably expected Bard to provide
4 physicians but wasn't?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And what type of information did you come across?

7 A. There were informations related to -- information related
8 to health hazard evaluations, which are evaluations of a device
9 when there are multiple complaints about a device. There was
10 also information from their internal studies that had
11 concerning data about increased risk of migration, fracture,
12 tilt.

13 So in reviewing the internal documents, there was
14 definitely information that would have been very helpful for me
15 in making informed decisions for my patients when I'm placing
16 devices.

17 MR. O'CONNOR: Let's show Exhibit 4820 to Dr. Hurst.

18 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

19 Q. Dr. Hurst, showing you Exhibit 4820, is this a document
20 that you reviewed and considered in your -- formulating your
21 opinions in this case?

22 A. Yes.

23 MR. O'CONNOR: And, Your Honor, I believe this is
24 stipulated into evidence.

25 THE COURT: Are you moving it into evidence?

1 MR. O'CONNOR: I'm going to move it into evidence,
2 yes.

3 MR. ROGERS: No objection, Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: Admitted.

5 (Exhibit No. 4820 admitted into evidence.)

6 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

7 Q. All right. Dr. Hurst, now, just to put this all in
8 perspective, back at the time that doctors like you were using
9 Bard filters, you had reasonable expectations of Bard and the
10 type of information it would provide; correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And would that include information that Bard was aware of
13 of how its filters were behaving, including what failure modes
14 they were causing?

15 A. Yes.

16 MR. O'CONNOR: May I publish Exhibit 4820, Your Honor?

17 THE COURT: You may.

18 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

19 Q. And would you explain to the members of the jury what this
20 document is, from your understanding?

21 A. So this is a Bard internal document --

22 MR. ROGERS: Objection, Your Honor. There's no
23 foundation for this.

24 THE COURT: Well, the question is calling for his
25 understanding based on having read the document. So I'm not

1 understanding your objection, Mr. Rogers.

2 MR. ROGERS: Your Honor, if he wants to explain his
3 understanding, that's fine. But if he's going to describe to
4 the jury what this document means, that's a different story,
5 and I thought that's where he was going.

6 THE COURT: Well, I think the question was "What is
7 your understanding?" So I'll overrule the objection.

8 MR. ROGERS: Thank you, Your Honor.

9 THE WITNESS: So my understanding is that this is an
10 evaluation of the device that was performed because of multiple
11 reports by physicians in regards to complications that were
12 occurring with the G2 filter.

13 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

14 Q. And we talked about this and we heard information about the
15 history, the family of Bard filters, but the G2, what's its
16 relationship to the G2X or the Eclipse?

17 A. So the G2 filter was first, and it is actually -- this is a
18 G2 right here, I think. The G2 filter was first, and it did
19 not have a retrieval hook on top of it. The G2X, they added a
20 hook to the top of the device so that it could be more easily
21 retrieved.

22 Q. And let me ask you this: Was there any -- other than that
23 hook on the top, was there any difference, from your
24 perspective as a physician, between the G2 and the G2X?

25 A. No, there was no difference.

1 Q. And what about the Eclipse?

2 A. So in response to the fracture issues that were being seen
3 with the G2 and G2X and the device before it, the Recovery,
4 the -- Bard made some changes --

5 MR. ROGERS: Objection, Your Honor. No foundation.
6 The witness is telling the jury what Bard --

7 THE COURT: Sustained.

8 MR. ROGERS: -- does.

9 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

10 Q. Just the difference between --

11 A. The difference --

12 Q. Is there any difference --

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. -- that you could tell from the G2 and the X and the
15 Eclipse?

16 A. Yes. Basically, what they did was they did a procedure
17 called electropolishing of the filter so that they could reduce
18 fracture risk.

19 Q. And did that, in your experience, did that filter
20 experience fractures as well, the Eclipse?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. All right. Now, going to Exhibit 4820, can you
23 specifically tell us what information is in this document that
24 you would have expected Bard to provide you but was not
25 provided to you as a physician treating patients?

1 A. Well, the mere fact that they were having early reports of
2 migration and that these migrations were unusual, they were
3 caudal migration, and that in 75 percent or 70 percent of the
4 cases, the filter was found to be out of position or it was
5 tilted or in an anatomically suboptimal position, which raised
6 questions about the effectiveness of the device.

7 Q. And, again, is that any information that Bard shared with
8 you and physicians practicing in interventional radiology who
9 were implanting filters, including the G2s and G2X?

10 A. No.

11 MR. O'CONNOR: Can we show Dr. Hurst Exhibit 443,
12 please. 4-4-3.

13 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

14 Q. Doctor --

15 MR. O'CONNOR: At this time, Your Honor, I would move
16 443 into evidence.

17 MR. ROGERS: No objection, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: Admitted.

19 (Exhibit No. 443 admitted into evidence.)

20 MR. O'CONNOR: May we display to the jury?

21 THE COURT: Yes.

22 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

23 Q. Dr. Hurst, is Exhibit 443 another document, Bard internal
24 document that you reviewed?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. And explain to us what was significant -- what information
2 was important to you in this document that you did not receive
3 and would have expected to have received?

4 A. Can we move to the next page? Yeah. Thank you.

5 So in this particular document, the most concerning
6 thing to me is that there seems to be an increasing rate of
7 complaints related to fracture from the G2 and G2X devices,
8 beginning in 2005 with, you know, a 0 percent complaint rate,
9 going up to a 0.9 -- .09 percent rate. So it seems like there
10 is a trend for increasing risk of fracture over the time that
11 the device has been on the market.

12 Q. And if we go back to page 1, we can see that it's called a
13 draft, but it's dated November 30, 2008; is that correct?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And when is your understanding that Lisa Hyde received her
16 G2X -- and there's been some contention it may have been an
17 Eclipse. When is your understanding she received that filter?

18 A. 2011, I believe.

19 Q. February 2011?

20 A. Yes. February 25th, 2011.

21 Q. And by the time February 2011 had arrived, had Bard
22 provided any information that we looked at in Exhibit 443 or in
23 the health hazard evaluation, 4820, to physicians?

24 A. No.

25 Q. And is that information by then you would have expected to

1 have received?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And what would you have done with that information in your
4 practice?

5 A. Well, we would have evaluated each patient for alternative
6 devices based on, you know, the benefit -- the risk-benefit
7 analysis. So we likely would have either placed a permanent
8 device or put the patient -- tried to put the patient on
9 anticoagulation, or we would have placed a different
10 retrievable device.

11 Q. The G2X that Lisa Hyde received, was that promoted as a
12 permanent filter with an option to retrieve?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And as a permanent filter with an option to retrieve, what
15 was the reasonable expectations of physicians as to how it
16 would behave in terms of failure modes?

17 A. Well, you would expect it to behave as a permanent device.

18 Q. Meaning what?

19 A. Meaning that it would maintain stability within the
20 inferior vena cava.

21 Q. In terms of risks and benefits, do you have an opinion in
22 this case based upon the failure modes you described whether
23 the risks and dangers associated with this filter outweighed
24 any benefit to Lisa Hyde?

25 A. In this particular case, the risk did not outweigh the

1 benefits.

2 Q. Now, you told us that her filter did not behave as a
3 reasonable physician would have expected; is that correct?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. And, but as you look at Exhibit 443 and that exhibit we
6 looked at earlier, the health hazard evaluation, 4820, that's
7 information Bard had back in 2006 and 2008. Did Lisa Hyde's
8 filter display those same type of failure modes that Bard was
9 aware of as early as 2008 and 2006?

10 A. Absolutely. The filter fractured.

11 Q. And Bard never disclosed that to physicians?

12 A. No.

13 Q. Now, you talked about, in your case -- about the Meridian
14 filter in this case. Do you recall --

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. -- your opinions on that?

17 What are your opinions regarding the Meridian filter?

18 MR. ROGERS: Objection, Your Honor. We have
19 nondisclosure, and I think this also approaches an area in your
20 Daubert order.

21 MR. O'CONNOR: May we approach?

22 THE COURT: Yes.

23 If you want to stand up for a minute, ladies and
24 gentlemen, feel free.

25 (At sidebar on the record.)

1 MR. O'CONNOR: He talks about the Meridian several
2 places.

3 THE COURT: What page are you on?

4 MR. O'CONNOR: Page 9.

5 THE COURT: Okay. Where?

6 MR. O'CONNOR: Paragraph 6.

7 THE COURT: It says: The next generation, the
8 Meridian?

9 MR. O'CONNOR: Right.

10 THE COURT: Okay.

11 MR. O'CONNOR: Adding caudal anchors for the purpose
12 of --

13 (Court reporter clarification.)

14 THE COURT: Well, tell me where you're going. What is
15 it you are going to ask him to testify about on the Meridian?

16 You can't put this by the mic.

17 MR. O'CONNOR: I'm sorry. I apologize.

18 I'm going to have him testify what he said in his
19 report, that the Meridian was being discussed in Bard, that
20 caudal anchors were an important feature on the Meridian, and
21 that physicians like him were not told about that.

22 THE COURT: Mr. Rogers?

23 MR. ROGERS: Your Honor, my concern is is that when he
24 was reeling off his laundry list of opinions, one of the things
25 he said he was going to talk about was a reasonable alternative

1 design. And this is not a design expert. We have not gotten
2 any design opinion from him. And I don't think that's an area
3 that he can go to.

4 THE COURT: Well, are you concerned about him saying
5 the things that Mr. O'Connor just described?

6 MR. ROGERS: Your Honor, I think if he limits himself
7 to this report, I think that's okay.

8 THE COURT: Okay. So identify exactly what it is you
9 intend to ask.

10 MR. O'CONNOR: Okay. I'm going to ask him, number
11 one, what he understands about when Bard became aware of the
12 features on the Meridian and what those features were. And
13 whether he was aware of that and whether that information
14 should have been disclosed to physicians at the time Lisa Hyde
15 received her filter.

16 MR. ROGERS: Your Honor, I don't think he has any
17 basis to say -- or knowledge to say when Bard became aware of
18 the Meridian filter. I mean, that's a foundational issue.

19 THE COURT: What's the basis for that?

20 MR. O'CONNOR: He's received internal documents, like
21 we all have, that they were talking about the caudal migration
22 issues beginning in 2006; and he's reviewed documents as early
23 as 2010 that talk about the Meridian project and the product
24 opportunity appraisal.

25 THE COURT: Mr. Rogers?

1 MR. ROGERS: Your Honor, again, my concern is is that
2 this witness is going to try and tell this jury what Bard was
3 doing and what they were thinking, and he can't do that.

4 THE COURT: Well, can he, in your view, testify that
5 he has seen Bard internal documents suggesting that caudal
6 anchors were being discussed in February of 2006?

7 MR. ROGERS: Yes, Your Honor, he can.

8 THE COURT: So I think it needs to be the same kind of
9 phrasing, which is what has he seen and what is his
10 understanding of it, so he's not testifying about what Bard
11 knew.

12 MR. O'CONNOR: But he's going to address why the
13 caudal anchors were important and how they would have been
14 important in this case.

15 THE COURT: From the perspective of?

16 MR. O'CONNOR: The caudal anchors would have reduced
17 the risk of the penetration that this filter experienced.

18 MR. ROGERS: That's a design opinion.

19 THE COURT: Where is that in his report?

20 MR. O'CONNOR: Right here. The last sentence of
21 paragraph 6: Ms. Hyde ultimately suffered from the G2/G2X
22 filter complications the Meridian attempted to correct,
23 including caudal migration, fracture, perforation, and tilt of
24 the filter.

25 THE COURT: Well, what he's saying there is that she

1 suffered from complications Meridian attempted to correct.

2 He's not opining that Meridian would have corrected them.

3 MR. O'CONNOR: Right.

4 THE COURT: Right?

5 MR. O'CONNOR: And I'll --

6 THE COURT: So he's not saying this was a design that
7 was a better one. He's not expressing that opinion; right?

8 MR. O'CONNOR: I'll make sure he -- well, I'm
9 trying -- I'll try to control that. I'll just tell him to look
10 at his report and let's just stay specific with what he said in
11 the report.

12 THE COURT: Ask leading questions.

13 MR. O'CONNOR: I will.

14 THE COURT: Okay?

15 All right.

16 MR. ROGERS: All right.

17 THE COURT: Did you have another issue?

18 MR. ROGERS: Well, the only other thing I'll raise,
19 Your Honor, is we do have a substantive portion of the statute
20 that I think we need to be cognizant of, and that is an --
21 incorporating into the Wisconsin product liability statute is a
22 very -- provision based on the Federal Rule 407 that
23 essentially says that you cannot give testimony about a --

24 You've got it?

25 MS. HELM: It's Section 4 of the statute. It says

1 that you can't present evidence of a subsequent remedial
2 measure to prove defect of the product at issue. It's only
3 admissible to show alternative design. It's paragraph 4. I
4 can grab the statute.

5 THE COURT: Yeah. I know it says that. Here's my
6 problem with that. The reason you're showing alternative
7 design is to prove defect. So to say you can't show a later
8 design to prove defect doesn't make any sense, because that's
9 how you show it is because there was an alternative design.

10 MS. HELM: Actually, Your Honor, I think if you go
11 back to paragraph 1 of the statute, if you read them in
12 connection, paragraph 1 says you have to show a reasonable
13 alternative design, and failure to incorporate the design
14 rendered the product --

15 THE COURT: Right.

16 MS. HELM: -- defective. But you can't -- you have to
17 independently show that the product was defective, and you
18 can't use the new design --

19 THE COURT: Well, it seems to me the way you show
20 defectiveness is two steps. One, you show there was a
21 reasonable alternative design; and two, you show that the
22 failure to use that alternative design made the product not
23 reasonably safe. Right?

24 MS. HELM: Right. So -- correct. So you have to show
25 the product -- not -- if you flip it, because it's an "and"

1 standard. If you flip it, you have to show that the product
2 without the alternative design was not reasonably safe.

3 Because --

4 THE COURT: I agree.

5 MS. HELM: Okay.

6 THE COURT: But are you saying that if they want to
7 put in evidence that there was a caudal anchor design later
8 developed by Bard, that that is inadmissible in this case?

9 MS. HELM: No. It's admissible if they can meet the
10 statute language to show alternative design. It's not
11 admissible under the Wisconsin statute to show that the G2X or
12 the Eclipse was defective.

13 THE COURT: But that's how you show it was defective,
14 by showing there was not -- that there was an alternative
15 reasonable design.

16 MS. HELM: Actually, Your Honor, I disagree. You have
17 to show that it was not reasonably safe, the product itself.

18 THE COURT: That's one of the two elements. The other
19 one is --

20 MS. HELM: Right. It takes both.

21 THE COURT: Yeah. So to prove one of the elements,
22 you need to show the later design. Right?

23 To me -- I mean, we can talk more about this, but when
24 I saw that, I thought this doesn't make any sense. Because
25 alternative reasonable designs, even if they're later designs,

1 do come into evidence to show there was a reasonable
2 alternative design.

3 MS. HELM: It exists at -- right, the statute has
4 specific language.

5 THE COURT: Right. And this clearly was being
6 considered at the time.

7 MS. HELM: Yes.

8 THE COURT: So it seems to me the use of caudal
9 anchors in the Meridian being considered at the time is clearly
10 admissible in this case as a reasonable alternative. Do you
11 agree with that?

12 MS. HELM: Yes.

13 THE COURT: Okay. Well -- so I don't see where 407
14 becomes an issue.

15 MS. HELM: Well, I think it's -- what I don't agree is
16 the next step, for them to say that proves that the G2X --

17 THE COURT: Well, they would say that plus the fact
18 that it was not reasonably safe proves.

19 MS. HELM: Right. It's the plus.

20 THE COURT: Okay. Well, but in terms of
21 admissibility, I think it comes in. If you think we get to a
22 point where it doesn't, that's fine.

23 So I think we know where we're going, but control it.
24 In my view, just so you know, Mr. O'Connor, what he can't do is
25 start giving design opinions. He can't say this was a better

1 design. Bard knew something or didn't know something. He's
2 got to testify from his perspective as a doctor.

3 MR. O'CONNOR: And I will keep him there, and if he
4 does go that way, I will say that I don't want you to talk
5 about design. I want you to talk about your perspective as a
6 doctor.

7 Thank you, Your Honor.

8 (End of discussion at sidebar.)

9 THE COURT: Thank you for your patience, ladies and
10 gentlemen.

11 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

12 Q. All right, Dr. Hurst. Before we go on, I think a moment
13 ago either you or I or both of us got tongue-tied. I want to
14 just make sure we left off with your opinion.

15 Is it your opinion that in this case of Lisa Hyde,
16 that the risks associated with her G2X filter outweighed any
17 benefit of that filter?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And is that an opinion you hold to a reasonable degree of
20 medical probability?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Now, let's talk about the Meridian and specifically about
23 caudal anchors. You've arrived at opinions about those;
24 correct?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Now, let me be very specific. Based upon your review in
2 this case, when in your review of internal documents did it
3 appear to you that Bard had a project for caudal migration?
4 When did that begin, to address caudal migration in its
5 filters?

6 A. As early as 2006.

7 Q. And did Bard -- did you review documents that discussed the
8 Meridian?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Let me show you a document that you have reviewed.

11 MR. O'CONNOR: If you could put up Exhibit 1861.

12 And let's see. Go to page -- first of all, Your
13 Honor, I think that I would move Exhibit 1861 into evidence at
14 this time.

15 MR. ROGERS: And you're moving the entire document
16 into evidence?

17 MR. O'CONNOR: Sure.

18 MR. ROGERS: Well, Your Honor, this is a 1,600-page
19 document that's on the exhibit list. If he wants to move a
20 page in, that's fine.

21 MR. O'CONNOR: All right. Go to page 70. Before we
22 display it, Your Honor, I'll show you the page that I am asking
23 the doctor to look at.

24 It's the last page on the document.

25 Excuse me one moment, Your Honor, if I may help.

1 We're having a technical difficulty.

2 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

3 Q. And I don't want to talk about anything -- what was the
4 feature that the Meridian filter that was promoted by Bard,
5 what features did it have that were important to you as an
6 interventional radiologist?

7 A. So the Meridian filter differed from the G2X in that they
8 added little anchors or reversed hooks to the arms of the
9 device to limit penetration of the arm and to limit caudal
10 migration or migration of the filter to the feet, basically to
11 improve its stability. So they put little tiny hooks, reverse
12 hooks on the arms of the filter.

13 Q. And is that information that Bard was working on a change
14 in the filter as early as 2006, is that information that you
15 would have reasonably expected Bard to share with physicians?

16 A. I don't know if they would have shared that specific
17 information, that they were doing that. I think that they
18 would have shared that they -- it would have been nice if they
19 had shared that they had concerns with the design of the G2X
20 and the current -- concerns were so significant that they were
21 going to change the design of the device to add anchors.

22 Q. And I just want to talk about what they added, caudal
23 anchors. All right?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Now, based upon your work in this case, did you arrive at

1 an opinion that the anchors that you talked about that were put
2 on the Meridian, was that an attempt by Bard to correct the
3 failures that Lisa Hyde --

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. -- the type of failures that Lisa Hyde experienced in her
6 filter?

7 A. Yes. That's my opinion.

8 MR. ROGERS: Objection, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: He said based on what he reviewed. That
10 was the way the question was phrased.

11 MR. ROGERS: Thank you, Your Honor.

12 THE COURT: So the objection is overruled.

13 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

14 Q. And just so we're clear on the record, it -- based upon
15 your review and what you saw with the caudal anchors, that
16 addition to the Meridian filter, was that, from your
17 perspective, an attempt by Bard to correct the type of failure
18 modes that Lisa Hyde's G2 filter had experienced?

19 A. Yes.

20 MR. O'CONNOR: And I would move to admit 1861,
21 page 70.

22 THE COURT: Any objection?

23 MR. ROGERS: No, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: That page is admitted.

25 (Exhibit No. 1861, page 70 admitted into evidence.)

1 MR. O'CONNOR: May we publish to the jury?

2 THE COURT: You may.

3 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

4 Q. And, Dr. Hurst, could you show the jury the caudal anchors
5 you were talking about that were added to the Meridian filter.

6 A. Sure. So this is obviously a picture of the Meridian
7 filter here. Tough to do a -- draw on this device here. That
8 is a caudal -- that is a penetration limiter or caudal anchor.
9 That is a penetration limiter.

10 And then the other ones are actually not well
11 visualized on here, but they're actually on the end of the --
12 on the end of the leg.

13 So basically they put three of these penetration
14 limiters or caudal anchors on three of the arms and then the
15 other three arms received this device right here, this
16 modification, which was also a caudal anchor or penetration
17 limiter.

18 Q. And based upon what you told us before, we looked at the
19 HHE from 2006 and then we looked at the G2/G2X fracture
20 analysis in 2008. And you told us that Bard was aware of
21 complications, including the very complications that Lisa
22 Hyde's filter experienced; correct?

23 A. Yes.

24 MR. ROGERS: Objection, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: Sustained. You had him testify about what

1 Bard knew.

2 MR. O'CONNOR: Pardon me?

3 THE COURT: You had him testify about what Bard knew.

4 MR. O'CONNOR: Oh, I apologize.

5 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

6 Q. Those documents addressed the behaviors that you found
7 existed in failure modes of Lisa Hyde's filter; correct?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And as you have told us, from what you reviewed in the
10 Meridian filter, the caudal anchors appear to you to be an
11 attempt by Bard to correct those failure modes?

12 A. Yes.

13 MR. ROGERS: Objection, Your Honor.

14 THE COURT: Overruled.

15 MR. O'CONNOR: And if we could put up Exhibit 1861.

16 THE COURT: That's the one that's up.

17 MR. O'CONNOR: Oh, I see. I'm looking at a different
18 section.

19 Can we go to page 38?

20 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

21 Q. Dr. Hurst, this is part of Exhibit 1861 -- or is this a
22 page in the exhibit that you reviewed that you just discussed?

23 A. Yes.

24 MR. O'CONNOR: At this time I would move to admit
25 Exhibit 1861, page 38 into evidence, Your Honor.

1 MR. ROGERS: No objection, Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: Admitted.

3 (Exhibit No. 1861, page 38 admitted into evidence.)

4 MR. O'CONNOR: May we display to the jury?

5 THE COURT: You may.

6 BY MR. O'CONNOR:

7 Q. Now, Dr. Hurst, is this among the documents that you have
8 reviewed from Bard?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And would you tell us what is significant about this
11 document to you?

12 A. The date on this document is basically June or July of
13 2010, when these -- well, when these executives signed off on
14 this document to approve the concept of the Meridian anchors.

15 Q. And a moment ago in the same document, page 70, we saw a
16 diagram of the Meridian with the caudal anchors?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Thank you.

19 Now, Dr. Hurst, in arriving at your opinions that the
20 failure modes experienced by Lisa Hyde's G2X filter were
21 contrary to the reasonable expectations of a physician, is that
22 an opinion that you hold to a reasonable degree of medical
23 probability?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And in terms of the dangers that that filter posed that you

1 discussed, the migration and the fracture and the embolization
2 to the heart, is that a risk of a filter, a Bard filter, that
3 was never explained or provided to physicians by Bard?

4 A. The fracture and migration risk was not described
5 adequately, yes.

6 Q. And is that a risk or, excuse me, a failure that was
7 contrary to the reasonable expectations of a physician, an
8 interventional radiologist?

9 A. That was a new complication that was unique to that family
10 of devices.

11 Q. And in terms of that complication, is that a serious
12 complication?

13 A. Yes. Potentially, it could be life threatening.

14 Q. And as you know, Lisa Hyde had that strut removed.

15 A. Yes, she did.

16 Q. Okay. And who removed that strut?

17 A. An interventional radiologist named William Kuo at Stanford
18 University, who is an expert at removing failed devices.

19 Q. Have we discussed all the opinions that you've reached in
20 this case today?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And are the opinions that you talked to the jury about
23 opinions that you hold to a reasonable degree of medical
24 probability?

25 A. Yes.

1 MR. O'CONNOR: Thank you. That's all I have.

2 THE COURT: All right. Cross-examination.

3 CROSS-EXAMINATION

4 BY MR. ROGERS:

5 Q. Good morning.

6 A. Good morning.

7 Q. How are you, Doctor?

8 A. I'm good.

9 Q. Good.

10 I want to kind of pick up where Mr. O'Connor left off,
11 and you had started to talk about Dr. Kuo removing the filter
12 and the strut from Mrs. Hyde's heart; correct?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And would you agree with me that Dr. Kuo successfully
15 removed both the filter and the fractured strut?

16 A. Yes, he did.

17 Q. And would you agree that Mrs. Hyde should have no other
18 future complications from her filter or the strut?

19 A. That's not my area of expertise, but I don't -- I don't
20 know. I don't know if she'll have any further complications.

21 Q. Okay. And, Doctor, would you agree with me that you
22 previously had testified that you would not -- that you weren't
23 aware of any complications that she would have?

24 A. I'm not aware of any complications that she's had
25 post-retrieval.

1 Q. And would you agree that Mrs. Hyde did not experience any
2 pulmonary embolism for the three and a half years that the
3 filter was in place?

4 A. Not that we know of.

5 Q. And would you agree that there is no evidence that her
6 cardiac function has been damaged by the strut that was removed
7 from her heart?

8 MR. O'CONNOR: Objection. Foundation.

9 THE WITNESS: I don't know of any.

10 THE COURT: Hold on just a minute. When he objects,
11 hold on.

12 I couldn't hear your objection, Mr. O'Connor. Please
13 stand.

14 MR. O'CONNOR: My objection is lack of foundation.

15 THE COURT: Okay. Let me look at the question again.

16 Overruled. You can answer it, sir.

17 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat your question again,
18 please?

19 BY MR. ROGERS:

20 Q. Sure. What I asked you was would you agree that there is
21 no evidence that Mrs. Hyde's cardiac function has been damaged
22 by the strut that was removed from her heart?

23 A. Not that I know of.

24 Q. And, Doctor, you testified about several things that
25 were -- that you consider to be possible things that could

1 happen when a strut enters the heart. Do you recall that?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And I believe you said that there was some risk that the
4 strut may penetrate the heart; is that right?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And would you agree there's no evidence of that in
7 Mrs. Hyde's case?

8 A. I would agree there is no evidence that it penetrated
9 through the heart.

10 Q. And you also said that the strut may cause some sort of
11 issue with the conduction center of the heart. Do you recall
12 that?

13 A. Arrhythmias, yes.

14 Q. And would you agree that there's no evidence of that
15 occurring in Mrs. Hyde's case?

16 A. Post-retrieval or while she had the --

17 Q. Post-retrieval.

18 A. Post-retrieval, I don't think there's any permanent damage
19 that I know about, but that's, again, not -- that's kind of
20 outside my area of expertise, chronic damage to the heart.

21 Q. And you also mentioned the possibility of experiencing
22 arrhythmias. Do you recall that?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And would you agree that we have no evidence that Mrs. Hyde
25 has experienced any arrhythmias?

1 A. I don't know if she's experiencing arrhythmias beyond
2 what -- after her retrieval. I have no idea.

3 Q. And let me talk to you a little bit, too, about some of the
4 things that you said were risks if a filter penetrates through
5 the cava. Do you recall that?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And one of the things you said, that it can interact with
8 the bowel. Do you remember that?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And would you agree with me there's no evidence in
11 Mrs. Hyde's case that her filter interacted with her bowel?

12 A. I agree.

13 Q. And would you agree with me there's no evidence in this
14 case that Mrs. Hyde's filter interacted with any muscles in her
15 back?

16 A. I agree.

17 Q. And would you agree with me that there's no evidence in
18 this case that Mrs. Hyde's filter interacted with her urinary
19 tract?

20 A. I agree.

21 Q. And would you agree that there is no evidence in this case
22 that Mrs. Hyde experienced a pseudoaneurysm because of her
23 filter?

24 A. That's true.

25 Q. Doctor, let me ask you a little bit more about your

1 background and your kind of experience as an expert witness.

2 Am I correct that you first started doing expert
3 witness work in 2014?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. And so you had been in practice for about 15 years or so?

6 A. That's correct.

7 Q. And, Doctor, since then, am I right that you have been an
8 expert in at least 20 medical malpractice cases?

9 A. At least, yes.

10 Q. And am I correct that the majority of the work that you
11 have done in those medical malpractice cases has been for
12 plaintiffs who are suing for personal injury?

13 A. I would say it's about 80 percent.

14 Q. And am I correct that all of the testimony that you have
15 given in either a deposition or at trial has always been on
16 behalf of the plaintiff in a personal injury case?

17 A. That's right. My defendant cases haven't gone to court.

18 Q. And, Doctor, you've got a business that you've created for
19 your expert witness consulting; correct?

20 A. Correct.

21 Q. And I believe that's called Tristate Medical Legal
22 Consulting; is that right?

23 A. Yes. I do some consulting outside of trial testimony and
24 expert witness.

25 Q. And you have a LinkedIn page; correct?

1 A. I do. Yes, I do.

2 Q. And am I correct that you have a mention of your medical
3 legal consulting business on your LinkedIn page?

4 A. I do, yes.

5 Q. And is the purpose of that, Doctor, so that if an
6 attorney's out there are looking for an expert witness on
7 LinkedIn, that he may find you or she may find you?

8 A. No. The purpose is more so that people who want
9 consultation in practice management, and specifically vein
10 practice management and practice building and marketing can
11 contact me.

12 Q. And have you received any contacts from lawyers through
13 that source?

14 A. Not through LinkedIn, no.

15 Q. Okay. But am I right, Doctor, that you also list yourself
16 on expert witness referral sources?

17 A. Just one, yes.

18 Q. Okay.

19 THE COURT: We're going to break at --

20 BY MR. ROGERS:

21 Q. And what's the name of the --

22 THE COURT: Hold on, counsel. We're going to break at
23 this time.

24 It's 10:30, ladies and gentlemen, so we'll take a
25 15-minute break. We will resume at 10:45.

1 Please remember not to discuss the case, and we will
2 see you then.

3 (Recess taken, 10:30 a.m. to 10:44 a.m.)

4 THE COURT: You may continue, Mr. Rogers.

5 MR. ROGERS: Thank you, Your Honor.

6 Can everybody hear me okay?

7 BY MR. ROGERS:

8 Q. Dr. Hurst, before we took the morning break, we were
9 starting to talk about some of the specifics about the expert
10 witness work that you have done.

11 And I believe we were starting to talk about you
12 listing yourself with some expert witness referral services.
13 Do you recall that?

14 A. Just one, yes.

15 Q. And the one that you list yourself with is a company called
16 SEAK?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Is that right?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And that's S-E-A-K?

21 A. Correct.

22 Q. And, Doctor, have you also accepted legal work through a
23 company called Experts by Experts?

24 A. I did one case from them, yes.

25 Q. And the name of that case was *Fish versus Diallo*; is that

1 correct?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And am I right that if you accept work through Experts by
4 Experts, they take a 20 percent cut of your fees; is that
5 correct?

6 A. I think it was 10 or 20, yeah. It was -- yes.

7 Q. Okay. Thank you.

8 And the listing that you have with the SEAK expert
9 directory, is that something you pay to do?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And I believe you pay \$600 a year in order to have that
12 listing?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And am I correct that the SEAK company does more than just
15 list expert witnesses, they also offer services like books and
16 classes for people who want to be experts?

17 A. Yeah. They offer training, yes.

18 Q. And I believe you've purchased a book from the SEAK company
19 about being an expert witness; is that correct?

20 A. Yes. I thought it was important, yeah.

21 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree with me that the SEAK
22 directory is a way for people who want to be experts to market
23 themselves?

24 A. Absolutely, yeah. So that -- it's a place where lawyers
25 can find expert witnesses, yes.

1 Q. And, Doctor, I have with me -- is this the current 2019
2 SEAK expert directory?

3 A. Sure looks like it, yes.

4 Q. And this is what you pay to list yourself in; is that
5 right?

6 A. Correct, yes.

7 Q. And, Doctor, am I right that you have got three separate
8 entries in this book?

9 A. For states, yeah. Three states, yes.

10 Q. I understand. And so you've got --

11 A. It goes by state, yeah.

12 Q. -- one entry for Kentucky; is that right?

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. And you have a second entry for --

15 A. Indiana.

16 Q. -- Indiana; is that right?

17 A. Yes. And the next -- and the other one is for Ohio,
18 where -- those are the three states where I'm licensed as a
19 physician and where our practice covers.

20 Q. Thank you.

21 So your third listing is for Ohio; is that correct?

22 A. Yes. Yeah.

23 Q. And am I correct, Doctor, that the only state that you
24 admit and treat patients is Ohio? That's the only state?

25 A. The only --

1 Q. Excuse me, Kentucky. Forgive me.

2 A. The only state where we admit and treat patients is
3 Kentucky, yes. We cover a hospital in Indiana as well.

4 Q. Right. But you don't --

5 A. We don't do -- but this is -- we just took over the
6 practice for that hospital six months ago. We are in
7 negotiations for call coverage and IR coverage, so yes,
8 we'll -- eventually Indiana.

9 Q. And, but that hasn't happened yet?

10 A. No, not yet.

11 Q. All right. But you're listed in all three states in this
12 expert witness directory; correct?

13 A. Right.

14 Q. And you only treat and perform procedures on patients in
15 one state, and that's Kentucky?

16 A. Correct.

17 Q. Doctor, in addition to this physical book, am I correct
18 that the SEAK service also has got a website?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And so if I'm a lawyer looking for an expert, I can go on
21 that and try and find an expert; is that right?

22 A. Absolutely.

23 Q. And you're on their website as well; correct?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And, Doctor, did you write the description of your

1 expertise that appears on that website?

2 A. I did.

3 Q. And did you think it was important to include all the
4 information about you that you would want lawyers to know
5 about?

6 A. Sure. When you're -- yeah. Yeah.

7 Q. And, Doctor, is one of the areas of expertise that you
8 include on the SEAK website called expertise in IVC filter
9 product liability cases?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And that's a description that you wrote?

12 A. It is.

13 Q. And that's the type of case that we're here for today;
14 correct?

15 A. That's correct.

16 Q. And did you think it was important for lawyers who might be
17 looking for an expert witness in an IVC filter product
18 liability case to know about you?

19 A. Yeah.

20 MR. O'CONNOR: Objection.

21 THE WITNESS: Absolutely.

22 MR. O'CONNOR: Calls for speculation.

23 THE COURT: Overruled. Overruled.

24 THE WITNESS: Yeah.

25

1 BY MR. ROGERS:

2 Q. The answer is yes?

3 A. Yes, yeah.

4 Q. Okay. Thank you.

5 And, Doctor, let's do talk a little bit more about
6 your experience with IVC filters. Am I right that you have
7 never published an article on IVC filters?

8 A. No.

9 Q. And you've never published any books or book chapters about
10 IVC filters?

11 A. No. I'm a private practice physician. I practice in a
12 large tertiary care medical center. The research that we do is
13 predominantly registry based. We submit patients to larger
14 studies. My practice is so busy that I don't have time to
15 write papers.

16 Q. So I'm correct that you've never published on IVC filters?

17 A. I've never published on IVC filters. I have published
18 papers, but not on IVC filters.

19 Q. Thank you.

20 And, Doctor, you've never designed an IVC filter;
21 correct?

22 A. I have not.

23 Q. And you've never worked for a medical device company?

24 A. No.

25 Q. And so you have no experience whatsoever in the process

1 that is necessary in order to design an IVC filter and bring it
2 to market?

3 A. I have no personal experience, no.

4 Q. And, Doctor, you are a member of an organization called the
5 Society of Interventional Radiology; correct?

6 A. I am.

7 Q. And that's composed of doctors like yourself who are
8 interventional radiologists?

9 A. Correct.

10 Q. And that group has meetings from time to time; is that
11 correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And that would include an annual meeting every year where
14 all the members are invited?

15 A. Correct.

16 Q. And, Doctor, am I right that you have never given any
17 presentations at the SIR meetings about IVC filters?

18 A. No.

19 Q. And have you ever given a presentation at an SIR meeting?

20 A. No. I presented at R, S and A, which is a larger meeting.

21 Q. Thank you.

22 And, Doctor, within this group, the SIR, is there
23 something that you can become called a fellow?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And that would be a fellow of interventional radiology?

1 A. Well, no. It's not a fellow. A fellow -- so there's two
2 uses of the word "fellow." So there's a fellow in
3 interventional radiology who is doing a fellowship. That means
4 you're in advanced subspecialty training in interventional
5 radiology.

6 And then you can become a fellow, which is a
7 designation that the Society of Interventional Radiology has.
8 It's predominantly, about 90 percent of it is academic
9 physicians, and it's based on articles published, number of
10 articles published and years in an academic institution. There
11 are very few private practice physicians who are given fellow
12 status, mainly because one of the criteria is the number of
13 papers that you have to submit.

14 Q. And, Doctor, am I right that only about 5 percent of the
15 members of the SIR are deemed fellows?

16 A. Yes. It's small.

17 Q. Is it an honor to be deemed a fellow by that organization?

18 A. Yeah, absolutely.

19 Q. And you have never been through that vetting process to
20 become a fellow; correct?

21 A. Again, I wouldn't qualify. I'm not an academic physician.
22 I don't work in an academic hospital, and I don't -- not
23 tenured. I don't have to produce papers for tenure or anything
24 like that.

25 Q. And it's your testimony today that unless you're an

1 academic, you cannot become a fellow of the SIR?

2 A. That is not entirely true. I mean, you can. There are
3 different ways, through community service, teaching, other ways
4 to become a fellow. But predominantly, it is based on being an
5 academic physician and journals, articles.

6 Q. Doctor, you've never held any positions in the SIR; is that
7 correct?

8 A. No, I have not.

9 Q. Let me shift gears and talk a little bit about something
10 you covered, and that was how you charge for your time.

11 And, Doctor, I believe you said that you charge \$500
12 an hour to review records; is that right?

13 A. That's correct.

14 Q. And if you have to give a deposition in a case, you also
15 charge for that?

16 A. Yes. \$750 an hour.

17 Q. And am I right, Doctor, that in 2016, you increased your
18 hourly fee for depositions from \$600 an hour to \$750 an hour?

19 A. Correct. Because it takes more time away from my practice
20 during the day when I can be seeing patients.

21 Q. And you felt that justified the increase in raising your
22 rates, so to speak?

23 A. Yes, uh-huh.

24 Q. And, Doctor, let me ask you one time -- one more time: Is
25 it your testimony today that the reason you changed your fee

1 was because it takes more time being away from your practice;
2 is that correct?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. All right. And, Doctor, do you recall a case called *Alley*
5 *versus Tulsa X-Ray*?

6 A. Vaguely.

7 Q. And that was a medical malpractice case in Oklahoma that
8 you were involved in; do you recall that?

9 A. Okay.

10 Q. And do you remember giving a deposition in that case?

11 A. Vaguely, yes. I think it was a few years ago.

12 MR. ROGERS: Can we pull that up, please? That's from
13 March 15th, 2016.

14 And, Scott, if you would, can you go to page 9,
15 line 18.

16 BY MR. ROGERS:

17 Q. Doctor, can you see this testimony?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And you would agree with me that when you gave this
20 testimony, you were under oath just as you are today; correct?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And you would agree with me that you were obligated to tell
23 the truth; right?

24 A. Right.

25 Q. Just like what you're telling this jury today; correct?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And if you read along with me on page 9, beginning at
3 line 18, do you see that?

4 A. I do.

5 Q. And the question is: How much do you charge for giving
6 depositions?

7 And was your answer \$750?

8 A. Correct.

9 Q. And next question: From reading your previous two
10 depositions, the price went up?

11 And your answer was yes?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And next question: When did it go up?

14 And your answer is: I had a discussion with a friend
15 of mine who's a malpractice attorney.

16 Did I read that correctly?

17 A. That's correct. I had a discussion with a friend of mine
18 who said, "You should be charging more if you're away from your
19 clinic."

20 Q. Okay. Well, let's continue on.

21 And the next question is: So when did it go up?

22 Is that correct?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And your answer: I think it went up two months ago, three
25 months ago.

1 Is that correct?

2 A. Right.

3 Q. And next question: One of the depositions you've
4 previously given was this past January.

5 And you responded: Right.

6 Correct?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. And next question is: And the fee went up since then?

9 And your answer is: Correct.

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And the next question is: Does the fee for record review,
12 has it changed as well?

13 A. No.

14 Q. Right. And you responded: No.

15 And then at line 13, the next question is: So your
16 friend who is a malpractice attorney, he advised you that you
17 were cheap?

18 And your response was: Yes.

19 Correct?

20 A. Correct.

21 Q. Thank you, Doctor.

22 And what are you charging to appear in court today?

23 A. 6,000.

24 Q. And is that a fee that you charge for the entire day?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. And did you charge that same \$6,000 fee for traveling out
2 here?

3 A. That includes the travel out here, but it's basically by
4 half day. So if I have to leave my practice for a half day,
5 it's 3,000. So I left yesterday, Cincinnati, Ohio, at, you
6 know, 3:00 in the afternoon or 4:00 in the afternoon. And so
7 that will be a \$3,000 charge, and then today I will be here the
8 whole day. I will likely get home at somewhere -- if I can get
9 a flight out, sometime after midnight. And so that will be
10 \$6,000 for today.

11 Q. So that will be a charge of at least \$9,000?

12 A. \$9,000, yes.

13 Q. Correct?

14 And if you couldn't get out today, are you going to
15 charge again for tomorrow?

16 A. Yeah, probably.

17 Q. Okay. And would you charge the 3,000 or the 6,000?

18 A. I would charge the 3,000 because it would be a half day.

19 Q. All right. Thank you.

20 And, Doctor, let me follow up again on a different
21 line of questioning. I believe you testified that you
22 currently place a Bard filter called the Denali filter; is that
23 right?

24 A. Yes, I do.

25 Q. And when is the last time you implanted a Bard Denali

1 filter?

2 A. I would say it's probably about three or four weeks ago.

3 Q. And do all the facilities where you implant filters, do
4 they all keep Bard filters in stock?

5 A. Yes. That is our retrievable filter.

6 Q. And am I correct that you testified on direct examination
7 that you were on something called a product committee or
8 product assessment committee?

9 A. I'm the chair of our product committee for interventional
10 radiology and vascular surgery, yes.

11 Q. And I believe you stated that you vet products as part of
12 that process with that committee?

13 A. We do, yes.

14 Q. And the Denali filter has been through this vetting process
15 with your committee?

16 A. Yes, it has.

17 Q. And, Doctor, when you first became involved in this
18 litigation, were you using the Bard Denali filter?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And you haven't stopped; is that correct?

21 A. We have not.

22 Q. And you never stopped; is that right?

23 A. We did not stop using the Denali device because the Denali
24 device as a retrievable filter, the way we use it, we don't
25 leave it in the patient as a permanent device. The

1 modifications that were made to the device over the series of
2 devices from the original Recovery device through the G2, the
3 G2X, the Eclipse, and the Meridian, each one of those devices,
4 as problems were coming up, they were making changes.

5 And the Denali filter as a retrievable device is an
6 acceptable device based on how we use it. We don't leave it in
7 the patient for longer than three months, usually. And if the
8 patient does need a permanent device, we will retrieve that
9 Bard filter to get it out of the patient and put in a permanent
10 device.

11 Q. And, Doctor, let me ask you one more time: Was there a
12 point when you became involved in this litigation that you
13 stopped using the Denali filter?

14 A. No, I never stopped using it. I mean, we sometimes use the
15 Gunther Tulip as an alternative device. And some of that may
16 have been based on stocking. But I don't think I ever stopped
17 completely using it.

18 MR. ROGERS: Can we pull up Dr. Hurst's prior
19 testimony from August 9, 2016? Excuse me, August 19, 2016.
20 And can you go to page 32, please.

21 And, Doctor -- excuse me. Not Doctor. I'm sorry.
22 Your Honor, may I publish lines 32, line 17, to
23 page 33, line 3?

24 THE COURT: To the witness?

25 MR. ROGERS: To the jury. Well, I would like to

1 publish it in video format, if I can.

2 THE COURT: Oh, you mean display it?

3 MR. ROGERS: Yes, Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: Let's talk about that for a minute,
5 counsel.

6 You can stand up, ladies and gentlemen.

7 (At sidebar on the record.)

8 THE COURT: Is that a deposition in this case?

9 MR. ROGERS: No, sir, it's not in the MDL. It is in a
10 filter case, called the Austin case.

11 THE COURT: Okay. Is there an objection?

12 MR. O'CONNOR: Yes.

13 THE COURT: What's the basis?

14 MR. O'CONNOR: Well, you haven't allowed us to publish
15 testimony to the jury in any of these cases. I mean --

16 THE COURT: Well, I have on cross-examination with
17 depositions taken in the case.

18 MR. O'CONNOR: You've allowed us to cross them and
19 read them, but you have not allowed us --

20 THE COURT: Yeah. We play deposition excerpts during
21 cross in trials.

22 MR. ROGERS: It happened in Booker.

23 THE COURT: I know that's happened, but this isn't a
24 deposition in this case?

25 MR. ROGERS: It was not taken in the MDL, Your Honor.

1 It was taken in a state court case.

2 THE COURT: Okay. So what's the basis for your
3 objection?

4 MR. O'CONNOR: My objection is it was a state court
5 case. It's irrelevant to any testimony he gives in this case,
6 the MDL.

7 THE COURT: Well, it's clearly not irrelevant, I mean,
8 if it's testimony he's given on a filter issue. So I don't
9 think irrelevancy works.

10 MR. LOPEZ: That's going to open the door. He's going
11 to be able to talk about that case then.

12 MR. O'CONNOR: Yeah, I mean, that is a problem. They
13 want to impeach them under the cases you've restricted us to,
14 not allowing them to talk about other litigation. It puts us
15 in a bind. It puts this expert in a bind. I mean, Austin I
16 think was one of the early ones that he became involved in in
17 this case, and --

18 THE COURT: What is the rule under which you want to
19 play the deposition?

20 MR. ROGERS: I'd like to impeach him, Your Honor.
21 And --

22 THE COURT: What's the impeachment?

23 MR. ROGERS: The impeachment is he -- and, I'm sorry,
24 he's sitting here listening to me talk. But the impeachment is
25 he is --

1 THE COURT: He can't hear you with --

2 MR. ROGERS: Well, he's looking at me.

3 But he just testified on the stand completely contrary
4 to what he testified to in this deposition.

5 THE COURT: On what? That he stopped using the
6 Denali?

7 MR. ROGERS: Yes, sir. Yeah.

8 THE COURT: So --

9 MR. ROGERS: He testified in the deposition he stopped
10 using the Denali filter because of what he learned in this
11 litigation.

12 THE COURT: Okay. So Rule 613(b) says: Extrinsic
13 evidence of a witness's prior inconsistent statement is
14 admissible only if the witness is given an opportunity to
15 explain or deny the statement and an adverse party is given an
16 opportunity to examine the witness about it, or if justice
17 requires.

18 But -- well, 613(a) says -- well, that's about
19 cross-examining on a statement.

20 So they can introduce extrinsic evidence of a prior
21 inconsistent statement. You get the chance to question him
22 about it. That's what this appears to be.

23 Is there any basis for your objection of its
24 admissibility or its use under 613(b)?

25 MR. O'CONNOR: Well, I don't have the rule in front of

1 me, but from what you read, I agree. But the problem is, Your
2 Honor, is they do this and then they want to limit him
3 explaining what the case was, what the circumstances of that
4 case was, and it's a whole different case.

5 He has testified in a number of Bard cases.

6 THE COURT: Well, I would agree with that if what he
7 was doing was giving an opinion about the other case, like
8 about a filter. But if he's talking about his practice of
9 using Denali filters, that's not specific to a case. That's
10 his practice.

11 MR. O'CONNOR: Well, I haven't looked at the
12 testimony. I was unaware that they were going to do this
13 today. I don't know. Did you disclose that as an impeachment?

14 MR. ROGERS: I'm not obligated to disclose
15 impeachment.

16 THE COURT: He's not obligated to disclose
17 impeachment.

18 MR. O'CONNOR: Well, they didn't list this to us last
19 night that they were going to use this with this witness. I
20 mean, if it's just for something he said about his use of the
21 Denali, I don't see that we can stop him from doing that under
22 that rule.

23 MS. REED ZAIC: He gets to explain --

24 THE COURT: Gets to explain what?

25 MR. LOPEZ: It says he has an opportunity to explain

1 that.

2 THE COURT: To explain the inconsistent statement?

3 MR. LOPEZ: Right. Right.

4 THE COURT: I agree with that. But I don't think it
5 opens the door to him testifying about the Austin case.

6 MR. LOPEZ: I don't know if it does. Maybe part of
7 his explanation has to do with -- I don't know.

8 THE COURT: My view is it won't unless he starts -- if
9 he's asked something about the Austin case. If he's asked
10 about his practice on Denali, my view is that doesn't open up
11 the Austin case.

12 So I'm going to overrule the objection.

13 MR. LOPEZ: Thank you, Your Honor.

14 (End of discussion at sidebar.)

15 THE COURT: Thanks for your patience, ladies and
16 gentlemen.

17 MR. ROGERS: Can you pull the testimony back up,
18 please?

19 And, Your Honor, may I publish this testimony via
20 video deposition?

21 THE COURT: Yes.

22 MR. ROGERS: Thank you, Your Honor.

23 These are the words. I want to publish the video
24 deposition.

25 Okay. Your Honor, I apologize. We don't have the

1 video loaded, so that's my bad.

2 THE COURT: Okay. Then what you can do is have him
3 look at the transcript and you can ask him about it.

4 MR. ROGERS: Thank you, Your Honor.

5 BY MR. ROGERS:

6 Q. Dr. Hurst, do you agree that the first question in this
7 deposition is: Did you stop using the Bard Denali filter?

8 And your response is: Yes.

9 Correct?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. And next question: When did you stop using the Bard Denali
12 filter?

13 And your answer was: Two months ago.

14 Correct?

15 A. Correct.

16 Q. Next question: What caused you to stop using the Bard
17 Denali filter two months ago?

18 And your answer was: My involvement in this case,
19 what I've learned about retrievable filters and the behavior of
20 conical retrievable filters, especially the Bard devices.

21 Did I read that correctly?

22 A. Correct. And we did stop using the Bard Denali filter as a
23 permanent device. That's what I meant by that.

24 Q. And just to call your attention to your testimony, did I
25 read it correctly where you said "I've learned about

1 retrievable filters and the behavior of conical retrievable
2 filters, especially the Bard devices"?

3 A. Correct. I learned how retrievable devices cannot be used
4 as a permanent device.

5 Q. And you continue to use the Bard Denali filter as a
6 retrievable device today?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Thank you.

9 Doctor, you gave some testimony in your direct
10 examination with Mr. O'Connor about some Bard documents. Do
11 you recall that?

12 A. I do.

13 Q. And do you also recall writing a report in this case?

14 A. Yes, of course.

15 Q. And your report was signed by you on June the 2nd, 2017; is
16 that right?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And when you wrote that report, were you trying to give as
19 complete a picture and as accurate a picture of your opinions
20 in this case?

21 A. With the available evidence, yes.

22 Q. And am I correct that when you wrote that report, you
23 identified somewhere between 20 and 25 Bard documents; is that
24 right?

25 A. That's correct.

1 Q. And so you rendered your opinions in this case based on
2 those 20 to 25 documents; is that right, Doctor?

3 A. Well, I don't think that's entirely true. I've been
4 involved in several of these cases, and I've reviewed many.

5 MR. ROGERS: Objection, Your Honor. The witness is --

6 THE COURT: Well, I think you shouldn't describe other
7 cases, but I think he can respond fairly to what he has been
8 exposed to as the basis for --

9 MR. ROGERS: Thank you, Your Honor.

10 THE WITNESS: In the course of reviewing multiple
11 cases, I've reviewed many, many, many Bard documents, some of
12 which might not be included in that list.

13 BY MR. ROGERS:

14 Q. And am I correct when you prepared your opinions in
15 Mrs. Hyde's case, the case we're here for today, you identified
16 these 20 to 25 documents; is that right?

17 A. I did, yes.

18 Q. And am I correct that those documents were provided to you
19 by plaintiffs' counsel?

20 A. Those documents were part of a large Dropbox, a repository
21 of information from this case. There's over a million
22 documents in this case that are available.

23 Q. And, Doctor, when you wrote your opinion in 2017, you did
24 not have access to that Dropbox, did you?

25 A. I don't know.

1 Q. Well, you certainly didn't include anything about a Dropbox
2 or thousands of pages of documents in your report in this case
3 involving Mrs. Hyde, did you?

4 A. I did not.

5 Q. And, Doctor, you felt comfortable rendering all your
6 opinions based on these 20 to 25 documents that were provided
7 to you by plaintiffs' counsel; is that correct?

8 A. I don't -- no, that's not correct. I just said that I've
9 probably reviewed hundreds and hundreds of Bard documents.

10 Q. I'm hearing you, Doctor, but when you wrote your report in
11 this case about Mrs. Hyde, you didn't identify any of those
12 documents --

13 A. I didn't --

14 (Court reporter clarification.)

15 THE COURT: Let's not interrupt each other.

16 Ask the question again.

17 BY MR. ROGERS:

18 Q. Doctor, when you wrote this report, you only identified 20
19 to 25 Bard documents that you had reviewed; true?

20 A. I identified 25 documents in the report.

21 Q. All right. Thank you.

22 And, Doctor, am I correct that you implant other IVC
23 filters besides Bard filters?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And you currently implant a filter called the VenaTech

1 filter; is that right?

2 A. I do.

3 Q. And you currently implant a filter called the Gunther
4 Tulip?

5 A. I do.

6 Q. And am I right that you have never seen any internal
7 documents from any other filter manufacturer other than Bard?

8 A. I have never seen any documents from other -- other than
9 Bard.

10 Q. And is that true for any medical device that you use in
11 your practice?

12 A. Not necessarily true. There are times when we go to Boston
13 Scientific and they do reveal documents to us about new
14 products.

15 Q. And is that when you're a consultant for that company?

16 A. No. That's when I'm a physician learning about devices.

17 Q. All right. But as far as IVC filters are concerned, you've
18 never seen any internal documents of any company other than
19 Bard; is that right?

20 A. Correct.

21 Q. And you have no earthly idea what is in any internal
22 document from any other filter manufacturer; is that true?

23 A. That's true.

24 Q. And you've never seen any internal documents that relate to
25 the Gunther Tulip or to the VenaTech filter; is that right?

1 A. I have not.

2 Q. And you feel comfortable using those products; correct?

3 A. I feel comfortable using those products, yes.

4 Q. Doctor, kind of a few silly questions, so forgive me.

5 But the G2X and the Eclipse filters could be either
6 left in permanently or retrieved at the election of the doctor;
7 correct?

8 A. Yes. That's how they were marketed.

9 Q. And if you place a permanent filter like the Simon Nitinol
10 filter, it is intended to remain in the patient for the
11 patient's life; is that correct?

12 A. That is correct.

13 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree with me that all IVC filters
14 have risks?

15 A. All medical devices have risks, yes.

16 Q. And that's true of IVC filters; correct?

17 A. Yes, it is.

18 Q. And with regard to IVC filters, would you agree that all
19 current retrievable filters can fracture?

20 A. Yeah. Yeah, they can.

21 Q. And would you agree with me that all IVC filters, both
22 permanent and retrievables filters, can perforate or penetrate
23 the walls of the IVC?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. And would you agree that the Gunther Tulip, another

1 retrievable filter that you implant currently, can also migrate
2 caudally?

3 A. Yes, it can migrate caudally.

4 Q. And would you agree that the Gunther Tulip can also tilt
5 from time to time?

6 A. It's a conical device, yes. It's shaped like a cone, so it
7 can tilt.

8 Q. And, Doctor, you implant IVC filters knowing that they have
9 the potential to tilt, caudally migrate, perforate the IVC
10 wall, and fracture; is that right?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And when you implant an IVC filter, do you do it in order
13 to provide a potential benefit to your patient?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And is that true of the Bard Denali filter that you
16 currently implant?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And the benefit is to potentially save the patient's life
19 if they're at high risk of pulmonary embolism; is that true?

20 A. Potentially, yes. You could block PE, yes.

21 Q. And do you need to make an individual determination,
22 patient by patient, based on that patient's individual medical
23 history if the potential benefits of the device outweigh the
24 potential risks?

25 A. Yes. That's the informed consent process.

1 Q. Doctor, let's talk a little bit more about some of these
2 complications that you talked about, or potential
3 complications.

4 And would you agree with me that the fracture of an
5 IVC filter can be an asymptomatic event?

6 A. Yes, fracture can be, especially if it stays right where --
7 especially if it doesn't move, yes.

8 Q. And by asymptomatic, it would mean that it doesn't cause
9 the patient any symptoms?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. And would you also agree with me that penetration of the
12 IVC by a filter can also be an asymptomatic event?

13 A. Yes, it can.

14 Q. And can tilt be an asymptomatic event?

15 A. Absolutely.

16 Q. And can caudal migration be an asymptomatic event?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree that all medical devices,
19 including IVC filters, can be made safer?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And do you think that that's something a company should
22 strive to do?

23 A. Absolutely.

24 Q. Doctor, let's turn our attention specifically to Mrs. Hyde,
25 if that's okay.

1 A. Sure.

2 Q. And you would agree with me that Mrs. Hyde was an
3 appropriate patient to receive an IVC filter when she got it in
4 2011; correct?

5 A. Yes.

6 MR. ROGERS: And if you would, can we pull up
7 Exhibit 8695, please?

8 And, Your Honor, I'll move this into evidence.

9 THE COURT: Any objection?

10 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

11 THE COURT: Admitted.

12 (Exhibit No. 8695 admitted into evidence.)

13 MR. ROGERS: May we publish, Your Honor?

14 THE COURT: Yes.

15 BY MR. ROGERS:

16 Q. And, Doctor, is this up on your -- on the jury's screens?

17 JURY MEMBER: Yes.

18 BY MR. ROGERS:

19 Q. Doctor, this is a medical record that relates to Mrs. Hyde;
20 correct?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And you would agree with me that this is the record from
23 her admission to the emergency department on February the 24th,
24 2011; right?

25 A. Correct.

1 Q. And this is one of the records that you reviewed when you
2 were writing your report in this case; right?

3 A. That is correct.

4 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree with me at the time -- let's
5 see. I'm going to get to pull out a little bit of language
6 here.

7 A. Uh-huh.

8 MR. ROGERS: If we would pull out that first
9 paragraph, please.

10 BY MR. ROGERS:

11 Q. And can you see that okay, Doctor?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree with me that Mrs. Hyde was
14 identified at this point as a 46-year-old female; is that
15 right?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And she had right thigh pain; is that true?

18 A. According to this document, yes.

19 Q. And she had shortness of breath and dyspnea; is that right?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And can you explain for the jury what dyspnea is?

22 A. It's basically saying shortness of breath again, but yes.

23 Q. Does it imply any sort of pain with breathing?

24 A. Usually not. Maybe a little bit, but -- yeah.

25 MR. ROGERS: Okay. Thank you. You can pull that part

1 down.

2 And let's go to the next paragraph, please, and if you
3 would pull that out.

4 BY MR. ROGERS:

5 Q. And, Doctor, this next paragraph, does it describe some of
6 the patient's history with similar events?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And would you agree with me that the record says that the
9 discomfort she had in the right thigh was similar to pain that
10 she had in the past with a history of DVT; is that right?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree that the next line says:
13 Patient states that she had this discomfort, but she's never
14 had it in the thigh.

15 Is that right?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And does the record go on to say that she had had a history
18 of DVT twice in the past; is that right?

19 A. Yep.

20 Q. And the first DVT was about 22 years ago; is that correct?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And it was presumed to be associated with birth control
23 pills; correct?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. And, Doctor, is there a known association between birth

1 control pills and experiencing blood clots?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And the next one indicates that about two years ago, she
4 had a recurrent DVT and PE noted on the CT scan. Is that
5 right?

6 A. That is right.

7 Q. And that would have been in about 2009; is that correct?

8 A. Yeah.

9 Q. And does it indicate that the DVT and PE in 2009 were
10 treated with anticoagulants?

11 A. Yes, it does.

12 Q. And, Doctor, on this day, did the treating doctors --

13 MR. ROGERS: And we can pull this down. Thank you.

14 BY MR. ROGERS:

15 Q. -- did they perform a CT scan on Mrs. Hyde?

16 A. They did.

17 Q. And that's an image that you reviewed in preparing your
18 opinions in this case; correct?

19 A. I did.

20 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree with me that that CT scan
21 showed that Mrs. Hyde had pulmonary embolism in both her right
22 lung and her left lung?

23 A. It did.

24 Q. And would you agree with me that the pulmonary embolism in
25 her right lung was large?

1 A. It was pretty good size, yes. Moderate, yeah.

2 Q. Moderate?

3 MR. ROGERS: Can we pull up Exhibit 8694, please.

4 BY MR. ROGERS:

5 Q. And, Doctor, I would --

6 MR. ROGERS: Your Honor, first let me move this into
7 evidence, please.

8 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

9 THE COURT: 8694 is admitted.

10 (Exhibit No. 8694 admitted into evidence.)

11 MR. ROGERS: And may we publish?

12 THE COURT: You may.

13 BY MR. ROGERS:

14 Q. And, Doctor, you would agree with me that this is the
15 report that the radiologist that read the CT at the hospital
16 where Mrs. Hyde was treated, that this is that doctor's report;
17 correct?

18 A. That's correct.

19 Q. And under the section that says Impression, do you see
20 that?

21 A. It says "large central pulmonary emboli."

22 Q. Right. And you don't disagree with the treating doctor's
23 description this was large?

24 A. I don't disagree with that.

25 Q. Okay. Thank you, Doctor.

1 MR. ROGERS: And can we flip back to the -- well, I
2 don't know that we need to do this. You can pull that down,
3 please.

4 BY MR. ROGERS:

5 Q. But when Mrs. Hyde was hospitalized with this PE and DVT,
6 would you agree with me that she was treated with
7 anticoagulants?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And she received initially intravenous anticoagulants; is
10 that correct?

11 A. Heparin, yes.

12 Q. And, let's see. Hang on.

13 And, Doctor, do you agree that Mrs. Hyde, as part of
14 this hospitalization, was ultimately diagnosed with a clotting
15 disorder?

16 A. That's correct.

17 Q. And was the clotting disorder known as protein C
18 deficiency?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And is that a congenital disorder that Mrs. Hyde was born
21 with?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And is that going to be a lifelong disorder?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And would you agree with me that that disorder necessitates

1 that she take anticoagulants for life?

2 A. Absolutely.

3 Q. And after she was admitted to the hospital, do you agree
4 that she received an IVC filter the following day?

5 A. She did.

6 Q. And would you agree with me that the filter that was
7 implanted was intended to be a retrievable or a temporary
8 filter?

9 A. I think the filter was -- they placed it -- no, I won't
10 agree with that. I mean, it was intended to be either
11 retrievable or permanent. I mean, I don't know that the intent
12 was clearly stated.

13 Q. As part of your preparation of your report, you said you
14 reviewed some depositions; right?

15 A. Correct.

16 Q. And I believe you did not review the deposition of
17 Dr. Henry, the implanting doctor, when you prepared your
18 report; is that correct?

19 A. I did not have that deposition at that time.

20 Q. Okay. Thank you.

21 MR. ROGERS: And can we pull up Exhibit 8697, please.

22 And, Doctor -- Your Honor, I keep calling you Doctor.
23 I apologize. But I move this into evidence, please.

24 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

25

1 BY MR. ROGERS:

2 Q. And, Doctor, do you have this form --

3 THE COURT: Hold on.

4 Mr. O'Connor, is there an objection?

5 MR. O'CONNOR: Oh, I said no objection, Your Honor.

6 THE COURT: Okay. A little louder, please.

7 MR. O'CONNOR: I will. Thank you.

8 THE COURT: 8697 is admitted.

9 (Exhibit No. 8697 admitted into evidence.)

10 MR. ROGERS: May we publish?

11 THE COURT: You may.

12 BY MR. ROGERS:

13 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree with me that this is one of
14 the records that is part of the procedure that Mrs. Hyde went
15 through prior to receiving her IVC filter?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And do you see down there at the physician's signature,
18 does it indicate D. Henry?

19 A. It does.

20 Q. And that's the doctor that implanted the filter?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And if we look there up at number 4 where it says
23 Procedure, do you see that?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And would you agree with me that it says: Inferior vena

1 cavagram and temporary IVC filter?

2 A. I do.

3 Q. Thank you.

4 And, Doctor, just to ask you a little bit more about
5 this particular hospitalization --

6 MR. ROGERS: Can we pull up Exhibit 8512, please.

7 And, Doctor -- Judge, I'm sorry. I move this into
8 evidence.

9 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

10 THE COURT: Admitted.

11 (Exhibit No. 8512 admitted into evidence.)

12 MR. ROGERS: May I publish?

13 THE COURT: You may.

14 BY MR. ROGERS:

15 Q. Doctor, would you agree that this is one of the records
16 from the cath lab where Mrs. Hyde's filter was implanted?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And you see up there at the top, the date is February 25th,
19 2011?

20 A. It is.

21 Q. Is that right?

22 A. Yeah.

23 Q. And, Doctor, the writing that's on there, would you agree
24 that that came from the original medical record? It wasn't
25 added later?

1 A. It looks like it, yes.

2 Q. And if we look at this, is this a way of monitoring
3 Mrs. Hyde's vital symptoms during this procedure?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. And, for instance, at the very top thing that -- on the
6 left-hand column that says HR, is that heart rate?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And is this the type of thing that when somebody's
9 undergoing a procedure like the placement of an IVC filter,
10 these vital signs are being monitored throughout the procedure?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. And, Doctor, if we look at that very first column up at the
13 top, and it's highlighted now, do you see where that says 1305?

14 A. I do.

15 Q. And is that military time for 1:05? Is that right?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And so would that be 1:05 in the afternoon?

18 A. Correct.

19 Q. And so would you agree with me that this procedure to
20 implant Mrs. Hyde's filter began sometime around 1:00 o'clock
21 in the afternoon; is that right?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And it looks like it concluded somewhere around 1:45; is
24 that correct?

25 A. That looks like it, yeah.

1 MR. ROGERS: All right. You can take that down,
2 please.

3 BY MR. ROGERS:

4 Q. Dr. Hurst, would you agree that a few weeks after Mrs. Hyde
5 received this IVC filter, that she again reported to the
6 emergency room?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And did you review those records as part of the preparation
9 of your report?

10 A. Yes.

11 MR. ROGERS: And can we pull up, please, Exhibit 8705?

12 And, Your Honor, I move this into evidence.

13 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

14 THE COURT: Admitted.

15 (Exhibit No. 8705 admitted into evidence.)

16 MR. ROGERS: May we display?

17 THE COURT: Yes.

18 BY MR. ROGERS:

19 Q. And, Doctor, do you agree with me that this is the
20 emergency department chart from where Mrs. Hyde went to the
21 hospital in -- I believe that's March 16th, 2001 [sic]; is that
22 right?

23 A. It is.

24 Q. And this would have been about three weeks after she had
25 her IVC filter implanted; is that correct?

1 A. That's correct.

2 Q. And when she presented on that day, was she again
3 complaining of chest pain? Is that right?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. And was a CT scan ordered in order to see what was going
6 on?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And you reviewed that CT scan; is that right?

9 A. Yes.

10 MR. ROGERS: And could we pull up Exhibit 8706,
11 please?

12 And, Your Honor, I move this into evidence.

13 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

14 THE COURT: Admitted.

15 (Exhibit No. 8706 admitted into evidence.)

16 MR. ROGERS: May we publish?

17 THE COURT: Yes.

18 BY MR. ROGERS:

19 Q. And, Doctor, do you agree with me that this is the report
20 from the CT scan that was done on Mrs. Hyde in March of 2011?

21 A. Yes. This is from the CT angiogram of her chest, yes.

22 Q. Thank you.

23 And would you agree with me that this -- the
24 impression indicated that it was positive for pulmonary emboli;
25 is that correct?

1 A. That is correct.

2 Q. And it was on both sides of her lung; is that accurate?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. But this clot burden had decreased when the radiologist
5 compared it from three weeks ago; is that correct?

6 A. Yeah, that's usually what occurs.

7 Q. And during this time period, Mrs. Hyde would have been on
8 anticoagulants; is that right?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And would you agree with me that this means that the
11 anticoagulants that Mrs. Hyde was taking were working?

12 A. Well, actually, anticoagulants don't cause the clot to
13 break up. It's actually your own internal clot lysis system
14 that breaks down the clot.

15 Q. Okay.

16 A. So the reason that you use anticoagulants is so that you do
17 not have further extension of the clot. It actually does not
18 break up clot.

19 Q. All right. But you would agree that this -- the clot in
20 her right lung had shrunk from three weeks prior; right?

21 A. It was undergoing the normal maturation process, yes.

22 Q. And you would agree with me that this is the same clot that
23 she had three weeks before; correct?

24 A. Definitely.

25 Q. And so would you agree that at this point in time,

1 Mrs. Hyde was still at risk of pulmonary embolism?

2 A. Well, she had -- she had chronic PE at this point. She was
3 still at risk for -- what do you mean by that? You'll have
4 to -- I don't know what you mean by that.

5 Q. Well, she still had some clot; is that accurate?

6 A. She still had some clot, yes, in her pulmonary arteries.

7 Q. And she also had a clot in her leg, the DVT; correct?

8 A. Correct, but she was receiving anticoagulation.

9 Q. I agree with you. But do you agree that that clot was
10 still potentially in her leg three weeks out from prior?

11 A. Oh, yeah. And it would undergo the same maturation process
12 as well.

13 Q. And so is it certainly possible that that clot that's in
14 her leg could still -- a piece could break off and could travel
15 to her lungs without protection?

16 A. Well, that potential is extremely small. That's why she's
17 on anticoagulants is so that that clot doesn't get larger and
18 then break free.

19 Q. Understand, but that potential is there. Do you agree?

20 A. Very small, yes.

21 Q. But you agree there is a potential; right?

22 A. Correct.

23 Q. And so Mrs. Hyde was at risk for a pulmonary embolism at
24 this point; correct?

25 A. Well, her protein C deficiency makes her at risk for

1 pulmonary embolism and recurrent DVT. That's really the
2 biggest issue.

3 Q. Okay. Thank you.

4 And, Doctor, if you would, before we move on from
5 this, above the Impression section, am I correct that the
6 radiologist that read this CT study noted that Mrs. Hyde had
7 degenerative changes of her spine?

8 A. That would be the thoracic spine, not the lumbar spine.

9 Q. Well, would you agree with me that it noted that she had
10 degenerative changes of the spine?

11 A. I agree that that -- yes.

12 Q. And would you agree that degenerative changes of the spine
13 can cause back pain?

14 A. In this particular case, that would be upper back pain,
15 because the images were not lower than T12, which is the lowest
16 thoracic level, which is about the level of your -- where your
17 chest ends.

18 Q. Okay, Doctor. Let's --

19 MR. ROGERS: We can take this down, and let's kind of
20 move on.

21 BY MR. ROGERS:

22 Q. And I want to move now to December 2011, to that time
23 period.

24 And do you recall that you showed the jury a 3D image
25 from a CT scan from that time period? Do you recall that?

1 A. I do.

2 Q. And I believe you showed the jury how that 3D image, in
3 your opinion, showed how the filter was interacting with
4 Mrs. Hyde's spine; is that right?

5 A. With the L3 vertebral body, yes.

6 Q. And three weeks before that CT scan was performed, were you
7 aware that Mrs. Hyde had a pelvic ultrasound performed?

8 A. I'm pretty sure I have that, yes.

9 Q. And that was not included in your report as any of the
10 imaging that you reviewed; correct?

11 A. Yeah. I didn't think it added anything, but yes.

12 Q. I'm sorry. Say again?

13 A. I didn't think it added anything, so I didn't add it to my
14 report.

15 MR. ROGERS: Okay. Can we pull up Exhibit 8709,
16 please.

17 Your Honor, I move this into evidence.

18 MR. O'CONNOR: I'm sorry. What number is it?

19 MR. ROGERS: 8709.

20 MR. O'CONNOR: May I just take a second to look at
21 this one, please?

22 No objection.

23 THE COURT: Admitted.

24 (Exhibit No. 8709 admitted into evidence.)

25 MR. ROGERS: May we publish?

1 THE COURT: You may.

2 BY MR. ROGERS:

3 Q. Doctor, would you agree that this is the treating
4 radiologist's report from the ultrasound that was performed on
5 Mrs. Hyde's abdomen?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And this was done, again, three weeks before -- or, excuse
8 me, this was done toward the latter part of the year after she
9 had had the IVC; is that right?

10 A. After she had a filter implanted, yes.

11 Q. Thank you.

12 But this was about three weeks before the image that
13 you showed the jury that was in that 3D format; is that
14 correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. All right. And would you go to the Impressions section,
17 please, next page.

18 And under the Impressions section, would you agree
19 with me that it notes that she had small bilateral renal
20 calculi?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And is that something that we would commonly call a kidney
23 stone?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. And so she had kidney stones in both of her kidneys; is

1 that accurate?

2 A. In the kidneys, yes.

3 Q. All right. Can we move on, then, to the next page.

4 And, Doctor, is this another report from the same
5 pelvic ultrasound?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And can we go to the Impressions section there, please.

8 And, Doctor, would you agree with me that it notes
9 that Mrs. Hyde had a left ovarian cyst that measured
10 3.5 centimeters?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And would you agree with me that kidney stones and ovarian
13 cysts can cause pain?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Doctor, let me ask you a little bit about this -- the 3D
16 image that you showed the jury.

17 A. Sure.

18 Q. Am I correct that that particular study from December of
19 2011, that CT scan was not something that you disclosed in your
20 report that you had reviewed?

21 A. The image that I showed wasn't from 2011.

22 Q. The image you showed that was the 3D scan?

23 A. It was not.

24 MR. ROGERS: Can we pull that up? Do you have access
25 to it?

1 Beg the Court's indulgence.

2 THE WITNESS: It's a sagittal reconstruction from
3 6/14/13.

4 MS. HELM: 4873.

5 MR. ROGERS: 4873?

6 BY MR. ROGERS:

7 Q. And that's the image that you showed the jury; is that
8 correct?

9 A. That is.

10 Q. And that's from 2013; is that right?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Okay. Thanks for that correction, Doctor.

13 And let me ask you this about this image now that we
14 have it up.

15 MR. ROGERS: May we display, Your Honor?

16 THE COURT: You may.

17 MR. ROGERS: Is it up on the screen?

18 THE COURT: You may.

19 This is 4873?

20 MR. ROGERS: Yes, sir.

21 THE COURT: All right.

22 BY MR. ROGERS:

23 Q. And, Doctor, do you agree with me that this is an image
24 that would not have existed in this format with the CT imaging
25 at the hospital where it was taken?

1 A. I'm not sure of that. Actually, it was interesting. Her
2 prior CT examination that she had that you were mentioning had
3 a sagittal reconstruction, that -- I didn't have that when I
4 originally prepared my report. But this particular set of
5 imaging did not. It had a coronal reconstruction that was done
6 at the hospital but not the sagittal. I'm not sure why they
7 didn't send those images. Usually they do.

8 Q. And is this something that you would call a fixed slab CT
9 scan?

10 A. Yeah. This is a -- this is a MIP reconstruction, a
11 multi -- it's a -- sorry. Yes. It's a thicker slab, yes.

12 Q. And so in order to prepare this for the jury to see, did
13 you have to do some manipulation of the imaging?

14 A. Well, what the computer does is it reconstructs the images
15 based on -- it takes the axial cuts, stacks them all together,
16 and then recomputes it into a view like this where you're
17 looking at it from the side.

18 And what you can do, then, is actually make the --
19 they're called voxels. Make the voxels thicker and thicker to
20 give you a little bit more definition and a little more -- a
21 thicker -- basically a thicker slice. Kind of putting slices
22 together.

23 Q. And you would agree with me that the doctor who reviewed
24 this CT scan in the hospital did not look at an image that
25 looked like this; correct?

1 A. I'm not sure. Like I said, it would be very unusual to
2 just do the coronal reconstruction at the hospital and not do
3 the sagittal when it was their -- basically their protocol to
4 do all those images on the prior studies that we have.

5 Q. But in order to present this to the jury today, you did do
6 something with this -- with a computer; is that correct?

7 A. I did, yes.

8 Q. Okay. Thank you.

9 Doctor, let's shift our attention back to 2011.

10 MR. ROGERS: And can we pull up Exhibit 8710?

11 And I move this into evidence.

12 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

13 THE COURT: Admitted.

14 (Exhibit No. 8710 admitted into evidence.)

15 MR. ROGERS: May we display?

16 THE COURT: You may.

17 BY MR. ROGERS:

18 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree with me that this is a report
19 from a CT scan of Mrs. Hyde's abdomen and pelvis from December
20 the 16th, 2011?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And would you agree with me that the doctor that read this
23 noted that Mrs. Hyde had a hiatal hernia; is that right?

24 A. Yeah.

25 Q. And he also noted that IVC filter or vena cava filter is

1 identified; is that right?

2 A. That's correct.

3 Q. All right. Next page, please.

4 And under the Impression section, in addition to the
5 hiatal hernia, it also notes diverticulitis; is that correct?

6 A. No. That's diverticulosis, which is actually uninfected
7 diverticular disease.

8 Q. Okay. And it -- all right. Thank you.

9 A. It can be asymptomatic.

10 Q. And the next thing, it notes again a 9-millimeter kidney
11 stone; is that correct?

12 A. Yeah, that's correct.

13 Q. And would you agree with me that kidney stones, again, and
14 hiatal hernias can be sources of pain; is that correct?

15 A. Yes, they can.

16 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree with me that the radiologist
17 that read this CT scan did not note anything about any
18 complications such as tilt, migration, perforation with this
19 filter?

20 A. They did not.

21 Q. Now, Doctor, you showed the jury how the -- you believe
22 that the strut was interacting with her spine; is that correct?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And am I correct, Doctor, that you have no idea whether
25 Mrs. Hyde was experiencing any back pain due to her filter?

1 A. You'd have no idea. Right.

2 Q. I'm sorry. Say again?

3 A. I have no idea whether she was experiencing back pain
4 related to her filter or not.

5 Q. Okay. Thank you.

6 And would you agree that if a patient has degenerative
7 disk disease, that it's not possible for you to sort out
8 whether pain would be caused to that versus a filter; is that
9 correct?

10 A. If she had degenerative disk disease, yes, that would be
11 the case.

12 MR. ROGERS: Can we go now to June 14, '13, please?
13 And pull up Exhibit 8521.

14 And, Your Honor, I move this into evidence.

15 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

16 THE COURT: 8521 is admitted.

17 (Exhibit No. 8521 admitted into evidence.)

18 MR. ROGERS: May we display this?

19 THE COURT: You may.

20 BY MR. ROGERS:

21 Q. Doctor, would you agree that this is a report from a CT
22 scan from June of 2013?

23 A. That's correct.

24 Q. And is this the CT scan where you showed the jury the 3D
25 image?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And did you review this report when you were preparing your
3 case?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. And would you note down there in number 7, it says there is
6 a caval filter; is that correct?

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. And would you agree with me that the radiologist that read
9 this report did not note anything about any complications with
10 this filter?

11 A. One of the reasons -- this is the second time you brought
12 this up, so I'm going to address it.

13 One of the reasons that radiologists were not
14 describing much about caval filters on CT scans is most general
15 radiologists at that time had never seen a filter have a
16 significant complication.

17 The perforations of permanent filters rarely caused
18 problems, and the fractures in permanent filters rarely caused
19 problems because they didn't migrate. So most general
20 radiologists, when they'd read a CT scan in the past, would
21 have just commented on the filter being present. They wouldn't
22 have given a complete description of it because they were
23 unaware of significant complications that really could occur
24 with filters until they started occurring, and now they know
25 more about them.

1 Q. And, Doctor, are you familiar with a safety communication
2 the FDA issued in August of 2010?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And that's something that you've been aware of for quite
5 some time; is that correct?

6 A. That's correct.

7 MR. ROGERS: And can we pull up Exhibit -- shoot. I
8 don't have it with me. That's okay.

9 BY MR. ROGERS:

10 Q. But you would agree with me that the safety communication
11 from FDA '10 was directed toward the community of doctors that
12 deal with IVC filters; is that correct?

13 A. It was -- it was pretty much directed at interventional
14 radiologists, yes.

15 Q. And you would agree with me that that safety communication
16 identified issues with retrievable filters such as fracture,
17 tilt, and migration?

18 A. It did.

19 Q. And you would agree with me that by 2011, this
20 communication from the FDA was widely known among the community
21 of doctors; is that correct?

22 A. I don't know if I -- no. I don't think that's true. I
23 mean, FDA communications, they're not sent directly to
24 physicians. You would have to actually look for it or be aware
25 of it.

1 Q. But that was something that's available to the medical
2 community from the FDA; is that right?

3 A. It was available from the FDA.

4 Q. And you were aware of that; right?

5 A. We were, yes. As a person who places filters, yes.

6 Q. And that would have been published a few months before this
7 event; is that correct?

8 A. That's correct.

9 Q. So heading back to our exhibit, 8521, can we go to the next
10 page, please.

11 And, Doctor, as far as this particular finding in
12 2013, would you agree with me that the reading radiologist said
13 that findings are compatible with uncomplicated diverticulitis;
14 is that correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree with me that shortly after
17 this study was performed, that Mrs. Hyde had a colonoscopy? Do
18 you recall that?

19 A. Yes, she did. Yeah.

20 Q. And do you recall that the treating doctor who performed
21 the colonoscopy also diagnosed her with diverticulitis?

22 A. Yeah. It's pretty obvious on her CT scan.

23 Q. And would you agree with me that she was prescribed
24 antibiotics and told to change her diet due to diverticulitis?

25 A. Correct.

1 Q. And that would be different than what you were pointing out
2 earlier where you said it wasn't an active infection or
3 something?

4 A. She eventually developed diverticulitis.

5 Q. And diverticulitis is a source of pain?

6 A. Usually not chronic, but yes. The acute episode is very
7 painful.

8 MR. ROGERS: Okay. Let's go to Exhibit 8523.

9 And, Your Honor, I move this into evidence.

10 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

11 THE COURT: Admitted.

12 (Exhibit No. 8523 admitted into evidence.)

13 MR. ROGERS: May we publish?

14 THE COURT: You may.

15 BY MR. ROGERS:

16 Q. And, Dr. Hyde, this is another report from a CT scan done
17 of Mrs. Hyde's abdomen; is that right?

18 A. Dr. Hurst. Yes.

19 Q. And -- excuse me. I apologize.

20 A. That's okay. It's fine.

21 Q. And this was done in May of 2014; is that correct?

22 A. It was, yes.

23 Q. And this was the CT scan that the treating radiologist
24 identified the metal fragment in Mrs. Hyde's heart; correct?

25 A. Yes. He identified the arm that had embolized to the

1 heart, yes.

2 Q. And in the Clinical History section, does it indicate that
3 Mrs. Hyde was experiencing right lower quadrant pain; is that
4 correct?

5 A. That's correct.

6 Q. And is that lower pain on the right side of the abdomen?

7 A. Right.

8 Q. And does it also indicate that she had hematuria?

9 A. It does.

10 Q. And what is that, please?

11 A. That's blood in your urine.

12 Q. And again, looking down at the Impressions section, and
13 this is where the doctor identified the fractured portion in
14 her heart; is that correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And, Doctor --

17 MR. ROGERS: Can you pull that down, please?

18 BY MR. ROGERS:

19 Q. And would you agree with me -- I'm looking for the part.

20 Ah, yes. Up in the Findings section. Do you see that?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And do you agree that this doctor noted that there is an
23 IVC filter in place?

24 A. Yeah. Yes.

25 Q. And this doctor also did not note any other complications

1 with this filter other than the fracture that had the fragment
2 in the heart; is that correct?

3 A. Correct.

4 Q. And this would have been now at this point almost about
5 four years since the FDA safety communication; correct?

6 A. Correct.

7 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree with me that Mrs. Hyde, after
8 this was discovered, this fragment in her heart, that she went
9 to see a cardiologist in Las Vegas named Dr. Shehane?

10 A. Yes, that's correct.

11 Q. And I believe she saw him on two occasions; is that right?

12 A. She did.

13 Q. And on at least one of those occasions, she complained of
14 some chest pain; is that correct?

15 A. She did.

16 Q. And would you agree with me that at that point, that was
17 the first time that she had complained of any chest pain that
18 you're aware of; is that right?

19 A. Besides the chest pain that she presented with initially
20 for her -- yeah. Yes. Since 2011 or something like that,
21 right. Correct.

22 Q. But I'm talking about her presenting with symptoms of
23 actual chest pain. Right?

24 A. It's the first time, yes.

25 Q. Okay. Thanks.

1 A. I would say, yeah.

2 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree with me that Mrs. Hyde did not
3 complain of any symptoms of chest pain until after the strut
4 had been identified in her heart; is that correct?

5 A. As far as we know, yes.

6 Q. And would you agree with me that it's difficult to say
7 whether Mrs. Hyde began to experience any chest pain once she
8 learned that the filter fragment was in place; is that right?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. All right. Let's turn our attention to the retrieval of
11 this filter.

12 You agree that Dr. Kuo at Stanford removed the filter;
13 is that right?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And that happened in August of 2014; correct?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And, Doctor, at the time you did your report in this case
18 that you wanted to be as complete and accurate as possible, am
19 I correct that you had not reviewed any of the imaging of the
20 retrieval of the filter?

21 A. I had the report, but no, I had not reviewed the imaging.

22 Q. Okay. So you didn't look at any imaging from the retrieval
23 that would tell you what position the filter was in at that
24 point in time; is that correct?

25 A. That's correct.

1 Q. And, Doctor, is it your understanding that Dr. Kuo was able
2 to remove the filter and the strut from the heart using
3 something called snares?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. And is that the typical -- or one of the typical devices
6 that are used to retrieve IVC filters?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And that's also typically used to retrieve a strut;
9 correct?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And would you agree with me that Dr. Kuo did not have to
12 use any sort of advanced techniques such as a use of forceps or
13 a laser to remove the filter from Mrs. Hyde?

14 A. He didn't have to use those advanced techniques, but it's
15 fairly advanced to be fishing around in the heart with a snare.

16 Q. And, Doctor, when you perform the retrieval of a filter,
17 are there usually records that are kept that document exactly
18 what is going on in the cath lab at that time?

19 A. Of course.

20 Q. I mean, it's like a minute-by-minute kind of document;
21 right?

22 A. Yes. Yeah.

23 MR. ROGERS: Can we pull up Exhibit 8740, please?

24 And, Your Honor, I move this into evidence.

25 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

1 THE COURT: Admitted.

2 (Exhibit No. 8740 admitted into evidence.)

3 MR. ROGERS: May we publish?

4 THE COURT: You may.

5 MR. ROGERS: And, Scott, if you could just blow up
6 the -- well, first of all, how about go to the next page,
7 please. Back it up. Let's see. Next page.

8 Yeah, that's what we want. Can you blow that up,
9 please, the center part?

10 BY MR. ROGERS:

11 Q. And, Doctor, is this an example of the type of records that
12 are kept in cath labs where you can see what's going on sort of
13 minute by minute and second by second?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And would you agree with me that the -- this document
16 indicates that the case to remove the filter and the strut
17 started at -- looks like about 9:10 in the morning; is that
18 right?

19 A. It did.

20 Q. And then if you go on down and look there on the right, do
21 you see where it says "filter retrieved and sheathed"?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And the time for that was -- looks like almost about 9:29;
24 is that correct?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. And so you would agree with me, Doctor, that this filter
2 was removed in about 18, 19 minutes?

3 A. Yeah.

4 Q. And then looking down below that, at 9:36, would you agree
5 that the snare was open that would be used to retrieve the
6 strut from the heart?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And does it appear that the strut was removed right at
9 about 10:00 o'clock; is that right?

10 A. It does, yeah.

11 Q. So the portion of that procedure took about 24 minutes; is
12 that correct?

13 A. Yeah. Dr. Kuo's pretty good.

14 Q. Now, Doctor, you've never attempted to remove a filter
15 strut from a heart; is that correct?

16 A. I've been fortunate enough not to have one.

17 Q. And you've never cared for a patient who's had that issue;
18 is that right?

19 A. I have not.

20 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree with me that Mrs. Hyde was
21 discharged from Stanford the day following this procedure?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And as best as you know, she's never returned to see
24 Dr. Kuo; is that correct?

25 A. She has not.

1 Q. And as I understand it, you have not reviewed any medical
2 records that relate to Mrs. Hyde following the removal of the
3 strut and the filter; is that correct?

4 A. I was not asked to do that in this case.

5 Q. And, Doctor, I want to talk to you a little bit about some
6 of the potential filter complications that you discussed in
7 your direct testimony.

8 And one of the things you talked about was tilt. Is
9 that correct?

10 A. That's correct.

11 Q. And I believe you said that you noticed something was a
12 slight tilt; is that right?

13 A. Minimal, yeah.

14 Q. And minimal would be what, if you had to put a degree on
15 it?

16 A. Somewhere between 2 and 4 degrees. I mean, it's very
17 minimal.

18 Q. 2 to 4 degrees; is that right?

19 A. Yeah, 2 to 4 degrees anterior tilt, yeah.

20 Q. And did you measure that?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And as I understand it, when you do this, you draw a line
23 on an image where you can see the IVC filter -- or, excuse me,
24 the wall of the IVC itself?

25 A. Parallel to the IVC filter.

1 Q. And then you draw a second --

2 THE COURT: Hold on. Hold on just a minute,
3 Mr. Rogers.

4 JURY MEMBER: I'm sorry. Mine's dead. I'm sorry.
5 Apologize.

6 THE COURT: How is that?

7 JURY MEMBER: Perfect. Thank you.

8 MR. ROGERS: Thank you.

9 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, I said -- I meant to say
10 parallel to the inferior vena cava and then in line with the
11 filter.

12 BY MR. ROGERS:

13 Q. Right. And as I understand it, you draw one line that you
14 think represents the wall of the vena cava; correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And then you draw another line that you think represents
17 the midline of the filter?

18 A. That's correct, yes.

19 Q. Is that right?

20 A. Yeah, that's the best way to do it.

21 Q. And then you ask the computer to compare those lines; is
22 that correct?

23 A. Well, the computer just measures the angle, yes. It's an
24 angle.

25 Q. Okay. And that's how you come up with 2 percent or

1 4 percent or whatever?

2 A. Degrees, yes. 2 to 4 degrees.

3 Q. Correct?

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. And, Doctor, in your practice, when you have been treating
6 patients that have IVC filters, have you ever noted in a report
7 a degree of tilt that's less than, say, 15 degrees?

8 A. Have I ever reported it?

9 Q. Yes. Have you ever put it in a report from an image of an
10 actual patient?

11 A. No, I haven't.

12 Q. And have you ever performed this technique where you
13 compare these two lines when you are treating an actual
14 patient?

15 A. If the degree of tilt is significant, yeah. So you kind
16 of -- what you do is you end up eyeballing it. If you think,
17 wow, that looks pretty significant, then you'll measure it.

18 Q. Okay. And if you had seen Mrs. Hyde's filter in the
19 imaging as a treating physician, would you have thought it
20 necessary to do this measurement that you did?

21 A. No.

22 Q. And, Doctor, do you think another way that is effective to
23 measure tilt is to use an axial cut from a CT scan?

24 A. It's more difficult.

25 Q. But it's possible to measure tilt; correct?

1 A. I'm not sure how you would get the angle but you can kind
2 of eyeball it and say, well, the -- obviously -- so when you're
3 looking at the filter in cross-section, the image that shows
4 where the tip of the filter is, if the tip of the filter is up
5 against the inferior vena cava like the way I showed you
6 before, you know, that is pretty obvious on a CT scan when it's
7 sitting like that on the axial images. But that can be
8 difficult to get an exact measurement of your tilt.

9 MR. ROGERS: Okay. Let's pull up Exhibit 8516,
10 please.

11 And, Your Honor, I would move this into evidence.

12 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

13 THE COURT: Admitted.

14 (Exhibit No. 8516 admitted into evidence.)

15 MR. ROGERS: May we publish?

16 THE COURT: You may.

17 BY MR. ROGERS:

18 Q. And, Doctor, is this what we would call an axial cut from a
19 CT scan?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And would you agree with me that this is an image from
22 December the 16th, 2011; is that right?

23 A. It is.

24 Q. And I think you pointed this out in your direct
25 examination, but that big bright thing that we can see, that's

1 the spinal column; correct?

2 A. In the back, yes.

3 Q. And then the little bright dot that we can see, would you
4 agree that that's the tip of the IVC filter?

5 A. It certainly is, yes.

6 Q. And would you agree with me that the tip of that IVC filter
7 is pretty much dead center in the vena cava?

8 A. Yes.

9 MR. ROGERS: Can we pull up Exhibit 8517, please.

10 And, Your Honor, I move this into evidence.

11 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

12 THE COURT: Admitted.

13 (Exhibit No. 8517 admitted into evidence.)

14 MR. ROGERS: And may we publish, please?

15 THE COURT: Yes.

16 BY MR. ROGERS:

17 Q. And, Doctor, would you agree that this is another axial CT
18 cut from a CT from June the 14th, 2013?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And, again, we can see the little bright dot that's the tip
21 of the IVC filter?

22 A. That's correct.

23 Q. And would you agree that that's also about dead center in
24 the middle of the cava?

25 A. It's a little anterior, but yes, it's close.

1 MR. ROGERS: And can we pull up Exhibit 8518, please.

2 And, Doctor, this -- excuse me. Your Honor, may I
3 move this into evidence? I mean, Your Honor. I apologize.

4 MR. O'CONNOR: I have no objection.

5 THE COURT: 8518 is admitted.

6 (Exhibit No. 8518 admitted into evidence.)

7 MR. ROGERS: Thank you. May we publish?

8 THE COURT: Sure.

9 BY MR. ROGERS:

10 Q. And, Dr. Hurst, is this another axial cut from a CT from
11 Mrs. Hyde from May the 16th, 2014?

12 A. And this shows the device pretty well centered.

13 Q. Okay. Thank you.

14 MR. ROGERS: And can we pull up Exhibit 8 -- 8519,
15 please. And can you draw that out a little bigger, if that's
16 possible?

17 Well, before I do it, let me move it into evidence,
18 Your Honor. They're actually all three already in evidence,
19 but this is just a comparison film.

20 THE COURT: Mr. O'Connor, any objection?

21 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

22 MR. ROGERS: May we publish?

23 THE COURT: This is 8519?

24 MR. ROGERS: Yes, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: All right. That's admitted.

1 (Exhibit No. 8519 admitted into evidence.)

2 THE COURT: You may publish.

3 BY MR. ROGERS:

4 Q. And, Dr. Hurst, is this a -- does this show the three
5 images we've looked at separately all together?

6 A. Yes, it does.

7 Q. And the first one we started off in 2011; right?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And the next one was May of 2014, which is some almost
10 three years later or so; right?

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. And would you agree with me that this filter, based on
13 these images, has stayed centered within the cava throughout
14 the course of this time?

15 A. No. I think it's leaning a little bit anteriorly, but
16 that's it.

17 Q. Okay. And you think that's that 2 to 4 degrees you talked
18 about?

19 A. Yes. Yeah, absolutely.

20 MR. ROGERS: And can we pull up Exhibit 8520, please.

21 Your Honor, I move this into evidence.

22 MR. O'CONNOR: No objection.

23 THE COURT: Admitted.

24 (Exhibit No. 8520 admitted into evidence.)

25 MR. ROGERS: May we publish?

1 THE COURT: Yes.

2 BY MR. ROGERS:

3 Q. Now, Dr. Hurst, this is a different view from a CT scan
4 from the CT from May of 2014; is that correct?

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. And this is slicing the body in the coronal fashion; right?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. And so if you look at this filter here, does it appear to
9 be centered in the cava to you?

10 A. In this orientation, absolutely, yeah. It's very close.

11 Q. And, Doctor, going back to your method of measuring tilt,
12 when you draw the two lines, would you agree to me -- with me
13 that if three different radiologists did that, they may get
14 three different results?

15 A. There might be some observer variability, yes.

16 Q. And so is the measurement only as good as the lines that
17 are drawn on the image?

18 A. When you're trying to measure small differences in degrees,
19 yes. Obviously, if it's 90 degrees to the cava or 30 degrees
20 or 20 degrees, it's pretty easy to get that measurement. But
21 these small measurements like you're talking here, yeah, you
22 probably would get two or three different measurements.

23 MR. ROGERS: Your Honor, I was getting ready to shift,
24 but is it noon for the break or --

25 THE COURT: It is.

1 Ladies and gentlemen, we will break for an hour.
2 We'll plan to resume at 1:00 o'clock. Please remember not to
3 discuss the case, and we will see you then.

4 (Jury not present.)

5 THE COURT: You can step down, Doctor.

6 Please be seated.

7 All right. Counsel, as of now, plaintiff has used 2
8 hours and 23 minutes, and defendants have used 2 hours and 32
9 minutes.

10 And we will see you at 1:00 o'clock.

11 MR. ROGERS: Thank you, Your Honor.

12 (Proceedings recessed at 12:00 p.m.)
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